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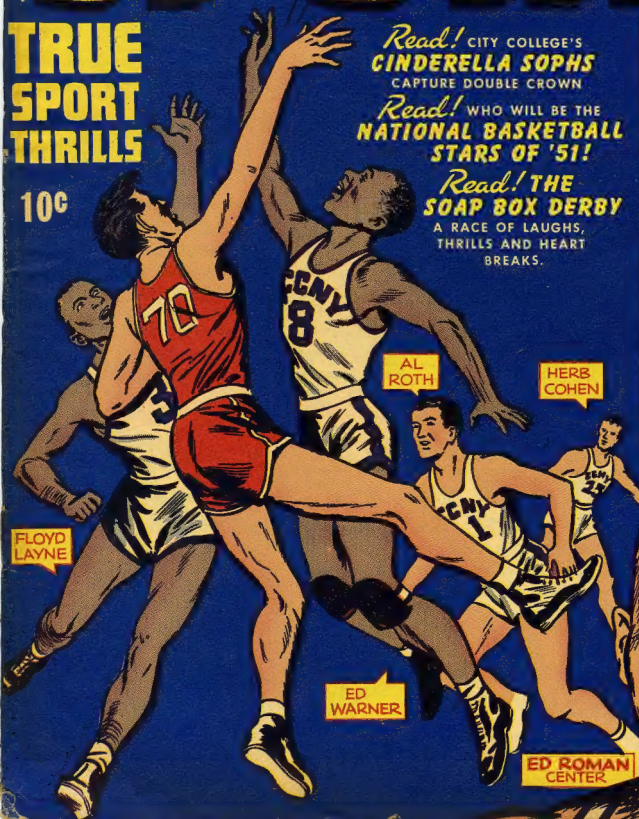
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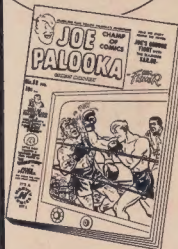


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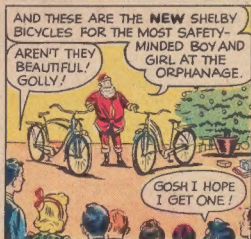
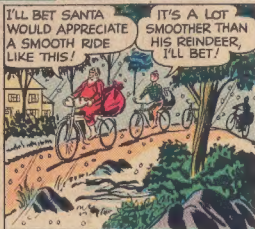


Before we lock our typewriter, fold our tent and go on the prowl for more sports material to bring to you, we want to remind you that your letters tell us what to look for. You call the offside and the homeruns. As a coxswain directs a scull towards victory, your letters direct us to bigger and better issues.

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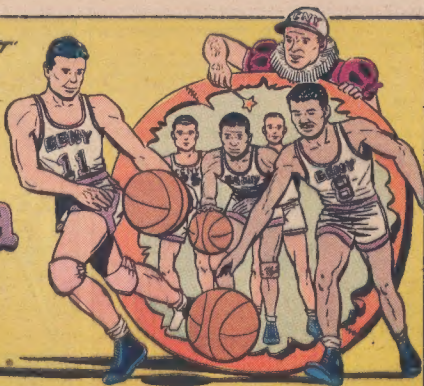
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SHELBY THE BEST NAME TO GO BUY

SOMETIMES THE SPORTS WORLD PRODUCES A TRUE-LIFE FAIRY TALE...A STORY THAT 'COULDN'T' HAPPEN...LIKE JOHNNY WANDERMEER'S DOUBLE NO-HITTER OR THE HISTORY-MAKING *SAGA* OF...

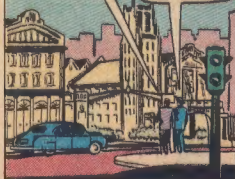
City's Cinderella Sophs



THIS SPORTS FAIRY TALE HAPPENED LAST YEAR...NOT IN SOME FAR-OFF KINGDOM...BUT RIGHT IN THE HEART OF NEW YORK CITY...

SO THIS IS CITY COLLEGE.. NOT VERY ROMANTIC LOOKIN', IS IT?

I'M HERE TO STUDY BOOKS, NOT SCENERY... AND IT'S FREE, WHICH IS ALL I CAN AFFORD!



YOU CAN'T OFFER BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIPS IN A FREE SCHOOL! BUT YOU CAN OFFER NAT HOLMAN!

LOOK, BOYS...I'VE BEEN COACHING FOR 30 YEARS..MY TEAMS HAVE WON 559 AND LOST 127..AND THE SECRET OF THAT IS TEAMWORK!



AT THE START OF THE LAST SEASON, CITY HAD FOUR HOLDOVERS FROM ITS 1948-49 TEAM.. DAMAROT, WITTLIN, MAGER AND GALIBER..PLUS FIVE HIGHLY Touted BUT VARSITY UNTESTED SOPHOMORES!

LAYNE, ROMAN, WAGNER, ROTH AND COHEN, EH? AND THEY'RE ALL SOPHOMORES?

THAT'S RIGHT.. IN A COUPLE OF YEARS, THEY'LL BE GREAT!



A COUPLE OF YEARS WAS TOO LONG TO WAIT.. CITY'S COMBINATION OF VETERANS AND SOPHOMORES TOOK ON THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY..AND WOUND UP THE SEASON WITH A 17-5 RECORD!

WELL, THAT'S THE END OF IT.. UNLESS WE GET INTO THE NATIONAL INVITATION TOURNAMENT.

IF THEY IGNORE US, THERE'S ALWAYS THE N.C.A.A. TOURNEY!

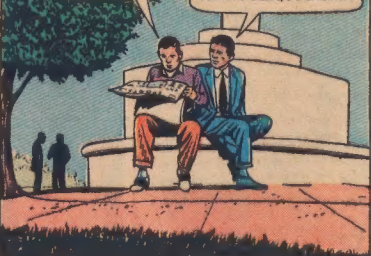
NOBODY'S EVER WON BOTH IN ONE SEASON..MAY BE WE CAN DO IT!



BUT THINGS LOOKED DARK..THE ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL, WHICH LISTED BRADLEY TOPS IN THE COUNTRY, OHIO STATE SECOND AND KENTUCKY THIRD..DIDN'T EVEN LIST THE BEAVERS!...

WELL, BYE-BYE TOURNAMENTS!

BUT THE INVITATION TOURNAMENT'S GOTTA HAVE A NEW YORK TEAM...



WHEN THE NATIONAL INVITATION TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MET IN NEW YORK...

WE OUGHT TO HAVE A COUPLE OF LOCAL TEAMS.. AFTER ALL, IT'S NEW YORK'S TOURNAMENT!

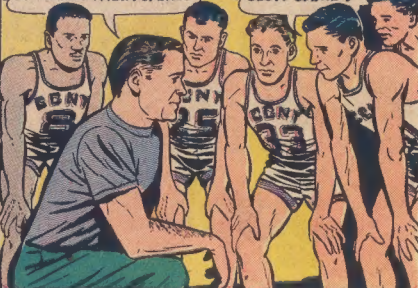
I VOTE FOR CITY. THEY'VE LICKED ALL THE OTHER NEW YORK TEAMS AND THOSE SOPHOMORES CAN RUN ALL NIGHT, WIN OR LOSE!



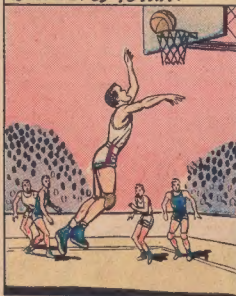
AND SO, THE ALMOST-FORGOTTEN BEAVERS GOT A LAST MINUTE INVITATION..IN THE FIRST ROUND THEY DREW SAN FRANCISCO...

FRISCO MAY BE LAST YEAR'S CHAMPS..BUT YOU CAN TAKE 'EM BY PLAYING THEIR GAME!

YOU MEAN GIVE UP OUR FAST BREAK AND PLAY A SLOW GAME?

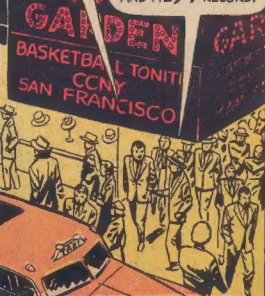


THE 'RUN ALL NIGHT' LAVENDER DID JUST THAT! THEY OUTMANEUVERED AND OUTSHOT THE FRISCO DONS, AND COASTED TO AN EASY 65-46 WIN!

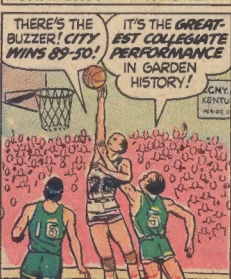


GOSH, CITY LOOKED GREAT TONIGHT, HUH?

YEAH, BUT NEXT TIME IT'S KENTUCKY.. WITH THAT 7-FOOT SPIVEY AT CENTER AND A 25-4 RECORD.



WHAT HAPPENED TO KENTUCKY SHOULDN'T.. PERIOD! THE BEAVERS RAN THE LEGS OFF RUPP'S REBELS..AND DAMBROT AND WARNER POURED THROUGH ONE SENSATIONAL SHOT AFTER ANOTHER...



IT WAS SO BAD A BEATING THAT IN THE KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE...

GENTLEMEN, AFTER WHAT HAPPENED IN NEW YORK LAST NIGHT, I PROPOSE WE FLY THE FLAG AT HALF MAST ON THE STATE CAPITOL, TOMORROW!



NEXT CAME DUQUESNE.. AND EXAMS CAME WITH THEM!

EIGHT OUT OF TWELVE MEN..WHERE IS EVERYBODY?

THEY HAD TO STAY FOR EXAMS, COACH.. WITTLIN SAYS HE WON'T BE HERE TILL HALF TIME!



SHORT-HANDED BUT GAME, CITY WENT OUT AND LICKED THE DUKES 62-52..AN WON AN IMPORTANT VICTORY OFF-COURT, TOO!

GENTLEMEN, WE STILL NEED SOMEBODY FROM DISTRICT TWO FOR THE N.C.A.A. TOURNAMENT!

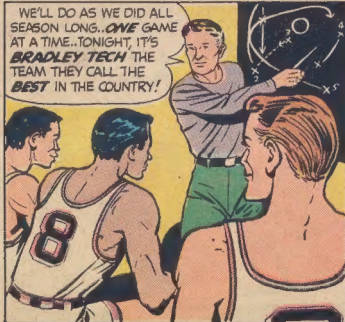
WELL, IT'S CITY. ST. JOHNS OR DUQUESNE.

CITY JUST BEAT DUQUESNE.. AND THEY LICKED ST. JOHNS EARLIER.. CITY GETS IT!



THE BEAVERS FOUND THEMSELVES WITH A SHOT AT BASKETBALL'S COVETED "GOLDEN DOUBLE"... THE N.I.T. AND N.C.A.A. TITLES!

WE'LL DO AS WE DID ALL SEASON LONG. *ONE* GAME AT A TIME... TONIGHT, IT'S **BRADLEY TECH** THE TEAM THEY CALL THE **BEST** IN THE COUNTRY!



HOLMAN SAT ON THE BENCH WITH A 103 DEGREE FEVER THAT NIGHT... BUT THE FEVER IN THE STANDS ROSE EVEN HIGHER AS **CITY TRAILED** AT HALF TIME, 30-27, THEN **ROARED BACK** TO TOPPLE THE MIGHTY **BRADLEY BRAVES** 64-60!

YOU SAID WE COULD DO IT, COACH... SO WE DID!

GOOD OL' **WARNER**... 87 POINTS IN 4 GAMES... NO WONDER THEY GAVE HIM THE **MOST VALUABLE PLAYER AWARD**!



NEW YORK WENT **WILD** AND CITY'S "**ALLAGAROO**" WAR CRY, SOUNDED **ALL OVER TOWN**! BUT **BRADLEY TECH** WASN'T CONCEDING A THING!

STILL THINK **BRADLEY'S** THE BETTER TEAM, COACH **ANDERSON**? **THINK SO?** WE'LL **WIN** THE WESTERN DIVISION!

IF CITY REACHES THE NCAA FINALS, WE'LL GET **OUR REVENGE**!



HOW LONG COULD THE **CINDERELLA SOPHS** KEEP WINNING AGAINST THE **BEST** IN THE LAND?

WHEN WILL **CITY'S LUCK** RUN OUT, EH?

I DUNNO... WITH THREE **SOPHS**, **LAYNE**, **ROMAN** AND **WARNER** IN THE STARTING LINE-UP AND **ROTH** AND **COHEN** FIRST RESERVES, THEY GOTTA CRACK SOON!



CITY ALMOST **CRACKED** AGAINST **OHIO STATE**, BIG TEN CHAMPS, IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THE NEW TOURNAMENT...

WE'RE IN THE CLOSING SECONDS OF ONE OF THE **GREATEST BASKETBALL GAMES** EVER PLAYED... **OHIO STATE** LEADS 52-49... BUT **MAGER** SINKS A SET SHOT AND **LAYNE** ANOTHER. **CITY** LEADS 56-55 AS **SCHNITTKER** AND **ROMAN** FOUL OUT... THERE'S A SHOT BY **OHIO STATE**... IT **MISSSES**... **DAMBROT** GETS THE REBOUND... AND THERE GOES THE BUZZER! **CITY WINS 56-55**!



ONE AT A TIME... AND NEXT CAME THE **WOLFPACK** OF **NORTH CAROLINA STATE**...

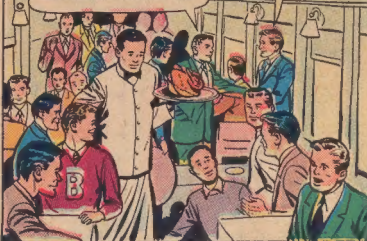
ROMAN, KEEP GETTING THOSE **REBOUNDS** AND SINKING THOSE **HOOKS**... **WARNER**, KEEP IT UP IN THE **BUCKET**, **DAMBROT** AND **LAYNE**, KEEP **DUNKING** THE **LONG ONES**... **ROTH** AND **COHEN**, KEEP **HUSTLING**... AND WE CAN **KEEP WINNING**! **TEAMWORK**... **TEAMWORK**... **TEAMWORK**!



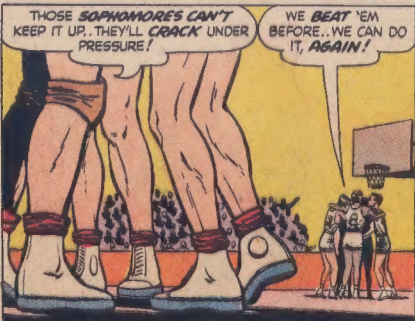
CITY COLLEGE 78, N.C. STATE 73! **CITY** WAS IN THE FINALS AGAINST **BRADLEY**, AGAIN. THE **BRAVES** HAD LICKED **BAYLOR** AND WERE COMING BACK TO NEW YORK TO **AVENGE** THAT N.I.T. BEATING!

NOBODY'S EVER WON **BOTH** THESE TOURNAMENTS IN ONE YEAR... **CITY** WRECKED OUR CHANCE OF DOING IT...

NOW, WE'RE GONNA **TOMAHAWK THEIRS**!



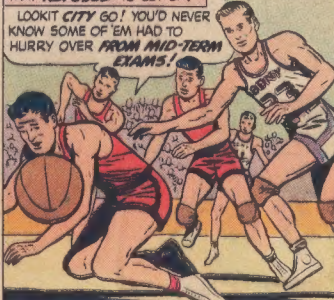
BRADLEY TOOK A SEASON'S RECORD OF 32-4 INTO THE GAME... CITY, EVEN WITH ITS **AMAZING** STRING OF VICTORIES, BOOSTED ONLY 23-5...



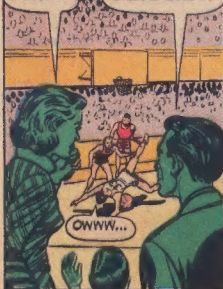
THOSE **SOPHOMORES** CAN'T KEEP IT UP... THEY'LL **CRACK** UNDER PRESSURE!

WE BEAT 'EM BEFORE... WE CAN DO IT, AGAIN!

IT WAS A **DING-DONG** BATTLE FROM THE START! ALL-AMERICANS **PAUL UNRUH** AND **GENE "SQUEAKY" MELCHIORRE** KEPT **BRADLEY** IN THE GAME AGAINST A **RAMPAGING** CITY QUINTET THAT **REFUSED** TO LET UP!



SUDDENLY... TOO BAD FOR CITY... HE'S BEEN PLAYING **GREAT BALL!**



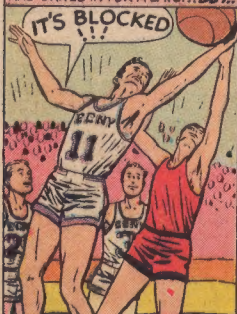
BUT, EVEN WITH **MAGER** OUT, CITY'S **FIRE-UP** **SOPHS** SWEET TO A 69-63 LEAD WITH ONLY A MINUTE TO GO! **MAGER**, BANDAGE OVER LEFT EYE AND ALL, WAS BACK IN!



FAIRY TALES MUST HAVE **DRAMATIC** ENDINGS... AND THIS ONE HAS A BEAUTY! A FOUL SHOT AND TWO FAST LAYUPS BY LITTLE **MELCHIORRE** AND **BRADLEY** WAS ONLY **ONE POINT** AWAY. CITY WAS **TIRING...**



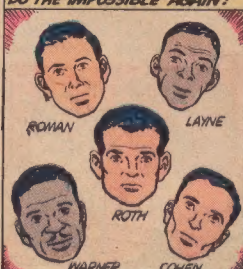
DOWN TO THE WIRE... **ONE POINT** AHEAD... A CITY COLLEGE PASS GOES **WILD**. **MELCHIORRE** GRABS IT AND DRIVES IN FOR A LAYUP. **BUT...**



DAMBROT TOOK THE REBOUND, FIRED TO **MAGER** AND **MAGER** LAYED IT IN AT THE BUZZER... **CITY 71, BRADLEY 68!** THE CINDERELLA KIDS FROM THE SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK HAD COMPLETED THE **"IMPOSSIBLE" GOLDEN DOZEN!**



THIS YEAR, CITY'S **"CINDERELLA SOPHS"** WILL ALL BE STARTERS... THEY'LL HAVE A YEAR OF **EXPERIENCE** BEHIND THEM, AND A LOT OF **SMART BASKETBALL EXPERTS** ARE BETTING THEY CAN DO THE **"IMPOSSIBLE" AGAIN!**



THE SOAP BOX DERBY

COMET KIDS IN CARS

GLORY RICHES
FAME

WHAT IS THE SOAP BOX DERBY? IT'S THE BIG RACE FOR 150 KIDS WHO ARE THE SURVIVORS OF AN ORIGINAL FIELD OF 50,000 KIDS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. THE WINNER GETS A COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AND AN AUTO-MOBILE GOES TO THE RUNNER-UP. THE DERBY, TO THE BOYS, IS JOY, HEARTBREAK AND HARD WORK ALL ROLLED INTO ONE NEVER-TO-BE-FORGOTTEN ADVENTURE!



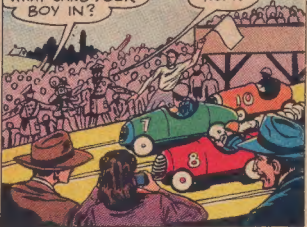
HOW DID THE DERBY START? IN DAYTON, OHIO, IN 1933, MYRON E. SCOTT, NOW THE DERBY DIRECTOR, THEN A YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE DAYTON DAILY NEWS, THOUGHT SHOTS OF KIDS RACING DOWN A HILL IN WOODEN CARS WOULD MAKE A GOOD PICTURE STORY.



AFTER THE RACE WAS OVER, PARTICIPANTS AND SPECTATORS WERE BUBBLING OVER WITH ENTHUSIASM. SCOTT KNEW HE HAD STARTED SOMETHING BIG. NAMING THE AFFAIR THE "SOAP BOX DERBY", HE CONVINCED HIS PAPER TO MAKE THE RACE AN ANNUAL EVENT.

WHAT CAR'S YOUR BOY IN?

NO. 7!



AND, WHAT DO THESE MIGHTY MIDGETS OF THE SPEEDWAY LOOK LIKE? THE CAR PLUS THE BOY MUST NOT WEIGH MORE THAN 250 POUNDS. THE TOTAL COST OF THE CAR'S MATERIAL CAN NOT BE OVER \$18.70!

WE'RE OVER THE WEIGHT-(PUFF)-GOTTA MAKE IT!

WHAT'S UP?



ALSO, THE BOY HAS TO BUILD THE CAR HIMSELF. ADULTS CAN ONLY GIVE ADVICE. WHEN THE HEAVY PARTS ARE BEING ASSEMBLED, THE DERBY HOPEFUL CAN ONLY GET LIMITED HELP! THERE IS NO MOTOR IN THE CAR. IT GETS ITS MOTION FROM GOING DOWN A SLIGHT HILL.

CAN'T WE HELP HIM?

UH-HUH. ANYWAY HE'LL BE A BETTER MAN FOR IT.

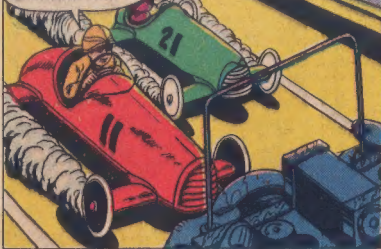


THE SOAP BOX DERBY IS NOW HELD AT AKRON, OHIO. THE NATIONAL FINALISTS ARE TREATED AS HEROES WHEN THEY ARRIVE. THEY RIDE TO THEIR KINGLY HOTEL QUARTERS IN LIMOUSINES AND ARE SERENADED BY A BAND WHEN THEY GET THERE!



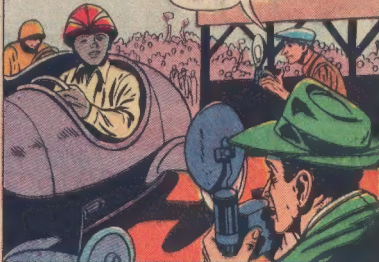
THE BOYS WHO COME TO AKRON ARE THE WINNERS OF LOCAL RACES IN ABOUT 150 CITIES. IN THE DERBY, THERE ARE THREE HEATS, NARROWING THE FIELD DOWN TO FIFTY, SEVENTEEN, AND FINALLY SIX. THEN, FAME AND GLORY!

LAST YEAR, OUT IN THE FIRST HEAT, THIS YEAR IN AS CHAMPION!



ALTHOUGH REGULATIONS ARE STRICT, THERE IS AMPLE ROOM FOR INGENUITY. ONE BOY RUBBED GRAPHITE OVER HIS CAR AND FACE. HE THOUGHT THIS WOULD MAKE THE SURFACES SMOOTHER AND SO LESS WIND RESISTANT!

THEY'VE EVEN GOT A MINSTREL ACT, HERE!



THE DERBY, FOR MANY BOYS, MARKS THE FIRST TIME THEY HAVE EVER BEEN AWAY FROM HOME. ONE BOY, NOT USED TO SLEEPING ON A BED, BUNKED ON THE FLOOR!



ANOTHER BOY FROM NEW MEXICO, HAD A TOOL CHEST A FOOT AND A HALF LONG WHICH HE CARRIED WITH HIM EVERYWHERE, EVEN TO BED!

OOPS! I'M SORRY! LOOKS LIKE THE DERBY IS BACK IN TOWN!



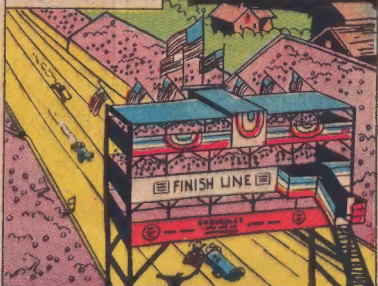
THIS YEAR'S RACE WAS THE THIRTEENTH RUNNING OF THE ALL-AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY AS IT IS OFFICIALLY KNOWN. 60,000 PEOPLE WERE ON HAND FOR THE FESTIVITIES.



THE GROWTH OF THE DERBY HAS BEEN PHENOMENAL. ENTRIES COME IN FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES, TOO. SOUTH AFRICA, PANAMA, ALASKA AND CANADA HAVE SENT HOPEFULS.



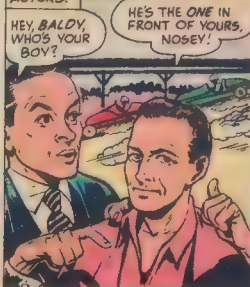
THE RACING PLANT, ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF AKRON, IS A THING OF BEAUTY. IT HAS PERMANENT GRANDSTANDS, GARAGE, SERVICE FACILITIES AND A TRIPLE DECK FINISH LINE BRIDGE!



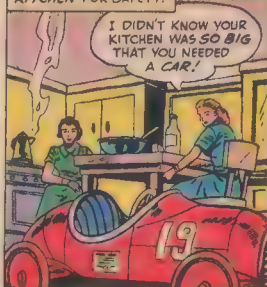
COMING DOWN THE SMOOTH, CONCRETE RUNWAY, THE LITTLE RACERS OFTEN REACH SPEEDS OF THIRTY MILES AN HOUR, REGARDED AS A LIMIT FOR SAFETY.



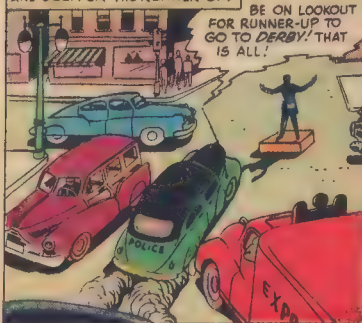
COMMERCIAL AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS USUALLY BACK SOME OF THE BOYS IN THE LOCAL RACES. IN LOS ANGELES, THE SPONSORS OFTEN ARE HOLLYWOOD ACTORS.



ONE BOY BEGAN BUILDING HIS RACER IN THE FAMILY GARAGE. BUT, WHEN HE GOT TO THE FINISHING TOUCHES, HE INSISTED THE CAR BE PUT IN THE KITCHEN FOR SAFETY!



IF A BOY IS DISQUALIFIED, HIS CITY RUSHES THE RUNNER-UP TO AKRON. ONCE, DERBY OFFICIALS HAD TO SEND OUT A TWO-STATE ALARM TO LOCATE AND DELIVER THE RUNNER-UP!



HOLLYWOOD ACTOR JIMMY STEWART HAS BEEN PARADE MARSHALL FOR FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS. MANY SPORTS DIGNITARIES ARE ON HAND, ALSO. THE PARADE IS HELD BEFORE THE RACE.



THE CARS ARE LINED UP WITH THEIR NOSES TOUCHING PLATES THAT DROP AWAY AND START THE CARS OFF TOGETHER.



AND THEY'RE OFF!! THE PLATES DROP AND THE CARS START TO ROLL. AS THE FIRST CAR FLASHES OVER THE FINISH LINE, AN ELECTRIC EYE STOPS THE TIMER AND SNAPS A PHOTO-FINISH CAMERA. ONE BOY HAS WON! THE THRILL OF A LIFETIME IS HIS--DERBY CHAMP!!!



CLUBHOUSE CLOSE-UPS

Jr. (1945) and Citation (1948). Whirlaway and Citation completed the Triple Crown of three-year old racing by adding the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes to their credit with Eddie Arcaro up.

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FOREVER A CHAMP—Joseph Paul DiMaggio, one of the two highest-salaried performers in baseball, grabbed another claim to sports immortality last year by becoming the eighty-eighth among about 30,000 major-league baseball players since 1876 to make 2,000 hits.

"Jolting Joe" accomplished this feat while he was in the worst slump of his brilliant twelve-year career in organized baseball. Even though DiMaggio was having trouble shoving the ball around with his usual authority, many of the pitchers that Joe faced in a day's work were and are of the opinion that DiMag, whether he is in a slump or not, is the most dangerous man in either league to have at the plate when there are men on base.

As far as Hank Greenberg, general manager of the Cleveland Indians, is concerned, DiMaggio is the greatest ball player he has ever seen. "He can hit, throw and run," says Greenberg, "and do a lot of other things you wouldn't normally expect from a long distance hitter—things only the baseball people appreciate. Ted Williams may have the percentage on Joe at the bat, but Joe is the better all-around player. He'll go from first to third, for example, on the kind of ball nobody would expect a guy of his size to run on. And, all of these things he does automatically."

This past season also held something else in store for The Clipper. Because of a serious hole in the defense at first base, Casey Stengel, the Yankee manager, decided to use Jolting Joe at first!

Joe DiMaggio believes in clean living and right thinking. This belief has helped him to pile up such records as appearing on eleven all-star teams; hitting safely in fifty-six consecutive games or twelve more than any other major league player had ever done; amassing 317 home runs and batting in 1,344 runs up to the 1949 season; and maintaining a lifetime batting average of .331.

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RIDING HIGH—Because he has ridden so many winners, Eddie Arcaro, one of the best known and respected jockeys in the business today, has created a following of fans that bet on any horse he is on. Of course, Eddie can't always bring them home first so some of the fans are disappointed and let Eddie know it with their boos. However, no one can boo the record that Arcaro has compiled.

He is the only man to be on four Kentucky Derby winners and two Triple Crown champions. Starting with Lawrin in 1938, Arcaro successfully piloted Whirlaway (1941), Hoop

LARCENY ON THE GRIDIRON—Before the football rules underwent a more stricter interpretation, a player could do anything he wanted to do, or, at least, try to do anything he wanted. In 1898, Arthur Poe, spindly, scrappy Princeton football star, won the game against a powerful Yale aggregation by diving into a pileup, ripping the ball out of a Yale boy's hands and madcapping it down the field for a ninety-five yard touchdown. The act was outright larceny but the rules of the time said the touchdown was legal. We was robbed!

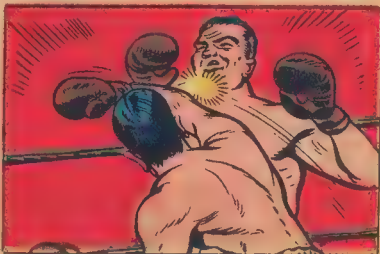
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PAST GLORY—When Amos Alonzo Stagg masterminded the mighty football legions of Chicago University, many called him the greatest coach that ever paced nervously before the bench during a game. His teams were the scourge of the football battlefields and Stagg was right behind these mammoths, directing and encouraging. Then, Chicago declined in football strength and coach Stagg went to other schools where he again performed with brilliance. However, time was marching on and, soon, the grand man of football became the grand old man of football.

Now, in the twilight of his career, Amos Alonzo Stagg is helping his son coach football at Susquehanna College. The old master must have felt strange when, on one cold, bleak Winter's day in 1949, a City College eleven blasted his team to its knees under a beating that saw the City gridgers score 59 points while Susquehanna never once crossed the goal line. It also happens that City College never has had a football team worth talking about since the twenties and had just come out of a streak where they had never scored a touchdown against their opponents for three years!

Imagine what Amos Alonzo Stagg was thinking about as his team was being rolled in the dust. How he must have wished for one of his good old teams!

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Art Houtteman

The
Comeback
Kid!

TWO YEARS AGO HIS MOUND RECORD WAS ONE OF THE **WORST** IN AMERICAN LEAGUE HISTORY. LAST YEAR HE WAS IN A TERRIBLE **CAR CRASH**, FROM WHICH HE WAS **LUCKY** TO LIVE. BUT, YOUNG ART HOUTTEMAN, DETROIT TIGER PITCHING STAR, IS NOW ONE OF THE **FINEST HURLERS** IN THE LEAGUE AT 23!



ON AUGUST 7, 1927, **ART HOUTTEMAN, SR.**, PITCHING IN THE DETROIT BASEBALL FEDERATION, WAS INTERRUPTED BY A MESSENGER.

IT'S A BOY, ART!

YEEOW! I'M GONNA NAME HIM **ART HOUTTEMAN, JR.** AND HE'S GONNA BE A **MAJOR LEAGUE PITCHER** BY THE TIME HE'S 17!

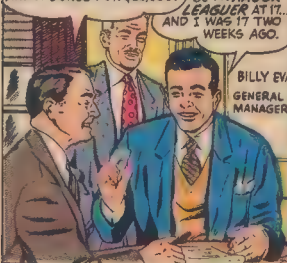


THAT SOUNDED LIKE AN IDLE BOAST... BUT, ON AUGUST 23, 1944...

WELL, ART, HOW'S IT FEEL TO SIGN A **BIG LEAGUE CONTRACT** AND A BONUS FOR \$20,000?

GREAT, MR. EVANS! I WAS BORN TO BE A **MAJOR LEAGUER** AT IT... AND I WAS 17 TWO WEEKS AGO.

BILLY EVANS
GENERAL MANAGER



HOW DID ART HOUTTEMAN, SR. MAKE HIS **PREDICTION** COME TRUE? HE BROUGHT THE KID UP TO BE A **PITCHER** FROM THE TIME HE COULD FIRST THROW A BALL.

REMEMBER, SON, **CONTROL** IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN PITCHING!

OKAY, POP. LET'S KEEP **WORKING** ON IT!



ART WAS SENT TO **CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**, A DETROIT BASEBALL POWERHOUSE. **WISH EVANS**, OF THE TIGERS, WAS ONLY ONE OF MANY **BIG LEAGUE SCOUTS** WHO CAME TO WATCH HIM PITCH.

THIS KID'S FORM IS **TERRIFIC**... ONE OF THE **BEST PROSPECTS** I'VE EVER SEEN!

AND HOW! TOO BAD WE HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL HE **GRADUATES** BEFORE WE CAN GET TO HIM.



WISH HAD TO WAIT **TWO YEARS**, BUT HE BEAT OUT HALF A DOZEN OTHER **BIG LEAGUE CLUBS** WHO WERE **BIDDING** FOR ART.

MEANWHILE, ART **STARRED** IN **AMERICAN LEAGUE BALL**, AS WELL AS IN HIS DAD'S **AMATEUR BASEBALL LEAGUE**.

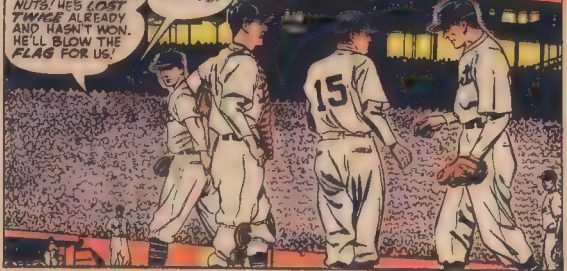
IN 1945, ART **BEGAN** HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER WITH **BUFFALO, TIGER FARM TEAM** IN THE **INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE**, POSTING A 3-3 RECORD. AT THE END OF THE I.L. SEASON, HE MOVED UP TO THE **TIGERS**, READY FOR ACTION IN THE **AMERICAN LEAGUE**.



THE **TIGERS** WERE ON THEIR WAY TO THE **1945 PENNANT**. ART WAS THROWN INTO THE FLAG STRUGGLE OFTEN ENOUGH, **PITCHING** A TOTAL OF 25 INNINGS—BUT **WITHOUT** TOO MUCH SUCCESS!

HOUTTEMAN RELIEVING AGAIN! NUTS! HE'S **LOST TWICE** ALREADY AND HASN'T WON. HE'LL BLOW THE **FLAG** FOR US!

AHHH... SHADDUP! GIVE THE KID A **CHANCE**... HE'S ONLY 19!



BACK WITH **BUFFALO** AGAIN IN 1946, THE YOUNG HURLER SHOWED HIS **FUTURE PROMISE** BY BURNING UP THE LEAGUE.

ATTABOY, ART! ONE MORE OUT AND IT'S WIN 16 FOR YOU!

YER OUT!



ART'S 16-13 RECORD INCLUDED THE LEAGUE-LEADING 226 INNINGS PITCHED AND 147 STRIKEOUTS, BROUGHT UP TO DETROIT, AGAIN, AT THE SEASON'S END, HE LOST THE ONLY GAME HE PITCHED...

ART ALSO BEGAN THE 1947 SEASON WITH **BUFFALO**. HE WON 3, LOST 1 - AND WAS BACK IN THE **BIG TIME** AT MID-SEASON. HE FINALLY BEGAN TO WIN FOR THE **TIGERS**.

WOW! THE KID'S HOT TODAY. GOT 'EM SLAPPIN' GROUNDERS AN' POPPIN' UP!

YEAH...WHAT'D I TELL YA TWO YEARS AGO... GIVE THE KID A CHANCE!



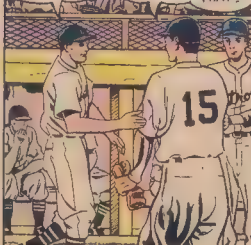
ART'S 7-2 RECORD IN '47 TABBED HIM FOR FUTURE GREATNESS. BUT, IN '48, THE **TIGER** ROOKIE WENT INTO TERRIFIC REVERSE, DESPITE BRILLIANT PITCHING AT TIMES, HE LOST ONE HEART-BREAKER AFTER ANOTHER ON SCORES LIKE 1-0, 2-1, 3-2.

THIS BEATS EVERYTHING-- I THROW A 4-HITTER AND FELLER NO-HITS US IN RETURN. WON'T I EVER GET A **BREAK** THIS SEASON?



FOR OVER TWO MONTHS, ART LOST WELL-PITCHED GAMES ON JUST PLAIN **BAD LUCK**. THEN HIS HURLING SUDDENLY WENT BAD, TOO.

FORGET IT, ART. IT JUST WASN'T YOUR DAY! IT HASN'T BEEN MY DAY ALL SEASON-- HOW CAN I FORGET THAT?



THINKING HE'D CHANGE HIS LUCK IF HE CHANGED HIS NUMBER, ART SWAPPED NO.15 FOR **GEORGE KELL'S** NO.21. SOON AFTER, **JOE DIMAGGIO** BLASTED A DRIVE DOWN THE THIRD BASELINE...

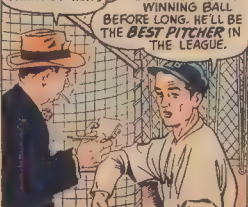


...AND THE UNLUCKY **TIGER** STAR THIRD BASEMAN WITH NO.15 SPENT THE REST OF THE SEASON OUT WITH A BROKEN JAW.

HOUTTEMAN STILL REMAINED UNLUCKY, TOO. HE HAD A SEASON'S MARK OF 2 WON, 16 LOST, ONE OF THE POOREST IN AMERICAN LEAGUE HISTORY, BUT VETERAN SPORTS WRITERS AND THE MOST HARD-HITTING SLUGGERS STILL HELD HIM IN **HIGH ESTEEM**.

YOU'RE FACING HOUTTEMAN, TODAY, TED. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HIM?

DON'T LET HIS RECORD FOOL YOU. WAIT...HE'S GONNA TURN THAT TERRIFIC STUFF OF HIS INTO WINNING BALL BEFORE LONG. HE'LL BE THE **BEST PITCHER** IN THE LEAGUE.



WHEN "HARD-LUCK" HOUTTEMAN REPORTED TO THE **TIGERS'** SPRING TRAINING CAMP IN '49, HE WAS IN FOR AN **UNPLEASANT SURPRISE**.

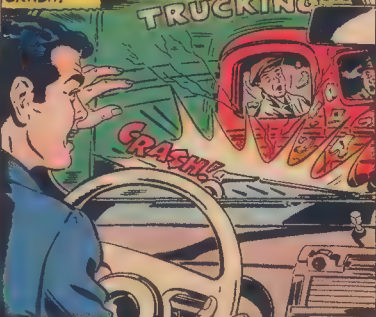
WHAT...NO.15 AGAIN! I DON'T WANT IT! HERE, KELL...YOU TAKE 15 AGAIN... GIVE ME NO.10!

NOT ME! NOTHING BUT **BAD LUCK** GOES WITH THAT NUMBER!

CAN'T GIVE YOU 10... THAT'S **RED ROLFE'S** NUMBER.



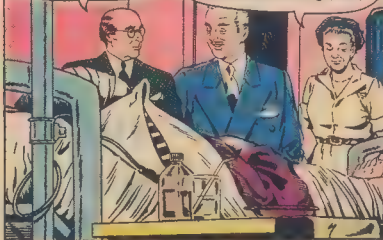
SO HOUTTEMAN DONNED NO.15 AGAIN. HE WORE IT FOR JUST **NINE DAYS**...WHEN HIS CONVERTIBLE AND A GIANT TRAILER-TRUCK CAME TOGETHER IN A **TERRIBLE CRASH!**



BADLY HURT WITH CRITICAL HEAD INJURIES, ART WAS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. FOR ONE LONG WEEK, THE ANXIOUS BASEBALL WORLD AWAITED THE CRISIS, AS THE YOUNG PITCHER'S PARENTS STOOD BY THE FIRST ENCOURAGING NEWS WAS FINALLY RELEASED.

THE CRISIS IS OVER... HE'S GOING TO MAKE IT... HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT!

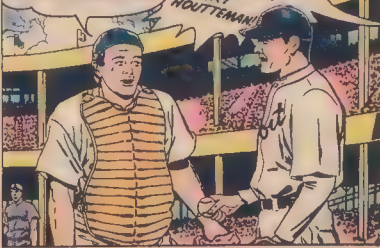
I KNOW HE WILL, SEE... HIS TOES ARE STICKING OUT... LIKE HE SLEEPS AT HOME WHEN HE'S FEELING FINE.



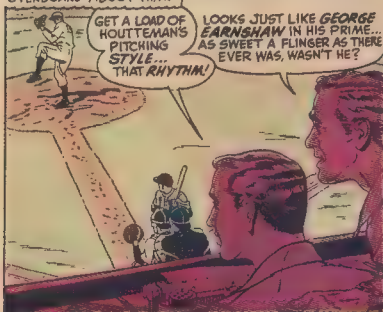
THE STRONG, HEALTHY VITALITY IN ART HOUTTEMAN PRODUCED A MIRACLE OF SWIFT RECOVERY. BUT THE SPORTS WORLD ASKED, "WILL HE EVER PITCH AGAIN?" TWO MONTHS ONLY, TO THE DAY, AFTER THE CRASH, IN DETROIT...

ATTABOY, ART! LET'S SHOW THESE GUYS YOU'RE A GREAT LITTLE 'COMEBACK KID'.

THE BATTERIES FOR TODAY... PITCHING FOR DETROIT... ART HOUTTEMAN!



NOT ONLY DID ART HOUTTEMAN COME BACK FROM THE BRINK OF DEATH BUT HE ALSO CAME BACK SPECTACULARLY AS A PITCHER. VETERAN PRESS BOX OBSERVERS WENT OVERBOARD ABOUT HIM.

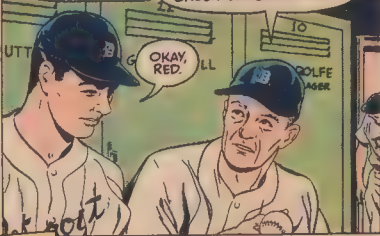


GET A LOAD OF HOUTTEMAN'S PITCHING STYLE... THAT RHYTHM!

LOOKS JUST LIKE GEORGE EARNSHAW IN HIS PRIME... AS SWEET A FLINGER AS THERE EVER WAS, WASN'T HE?

HOW GOOD WAS ART'S COMEBACK? GOOD ENOUGH TO ROLL UP A 15 WON, 10 LOST RECORD. AND, HE REMEMBERED WHAT HIS DAD HAD STRESSED--CONTROL. IN GIVING UP ONLY 59 BASES ON BALLS IN 204 INNINGS PITCHED HE WAS PRACTICALLY THE BEST CONTROL PITCHER IN THE LEAGUE.

CONTROL IS A GREAT THING, ART, BUT YOURS IS EVEN TOO GOOD. DON'T LET THOSE HITTERS DIG IN AGAINST YOU, KID. THEY'RE NOT AFRAID OF YOU. BE A LITTLE BIT MEAN... BRUSH 'EM BACK A BIT.



OKAY, RED.

'BRUSHIN' EM BACK A BIT' IS PART OF THE GAME WHICH HITTERS RESPECT. BUT, MEANWHILE, ART PICKED UP ANOTHER GREAT DELIVERY TO GO WITH HIS FASTBALL, CURVE AND SLIDER...THE SIDEARM CROSSFIRE.

BOY! LOOK AT THAT ONE COME IN FROM THIRD BASE!

THAT CROSSFIRE IS A REAL THROWBACK TO THE GOOD OLD DAYS; YOU DON'T SEE MANY PITCHERS THROWING THAT PITCH TODAY ANY MORE.



FOLLOWING THE 1949 SEASON, ART WAS FURTHER ACCLAIMED FOR HIS GREAT PERSONAL COMEBACK. HE WON A MOST COURAGEOUS ATHLETE OF 1949 AND A COMEBACK OF THE YEAR POLLS -- BOTH RICHLY DESERVED.

JUST LIKE YOUR FAST BALL, ART.



DURING THE OFF SEASON, ART IS A GREAT HOCKEY FAN OF THE DETROIT RED WINGS. HE USED TO WORK OUT WITH THEM--TILL THE TIGERS MANAGEMENT STOPPED HIM FOR FEAR THEIR PITCHING STAR WOULD HURT HIMSELF.

TODAY AT 23 ART HOUTTEMAN IS ONE OF THE PITCHING STARS OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE. HIS 1950 RECORD SHOWS 19 WINS AND 12 LOSSES, ONE GAME SHY OF THE 'MAGIC' TWENTY. THIS WAS ART'S BEST SEASON IN WHAT MAY WELL BECOME ONE OF THE GREATEST CAREERS IN MAJOR LEAGUE MOUND HISTORY!



IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY!

WHEN A FAMILY CAN SEND ONE OF ITS BROOD ON TO SPORTS FAME, IT CAN FEEL **PRETTY SATISFIED**. BUT, WHEN A FAMILY SENDS **TWO OR MORE** OF ITS KIND ON TO ATHLETIC GLORY, THEN IT REALLY HAS **SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT!**



A REAL **GRIDIRON DYNASTY** IS THE **HOUSE OF FOLDBERG**. **HANK FOLDBERG**, END, ENTERED **WEST POINT** WHEN THE **DAVIS-BLANCHARD BULL-DOZER** WAS MAKING HASH OF EVERYTHING THAT DARED GET IN ITS WAY. BROTHER **DAN** TOOK HIS CUE FROM BROTHER **HANK** AND ALSO ENTERED **WEST POINT** TO CLAIM HIS PIECE OF THE FOOTBALL GLAMOR PIE AT END.



WESTER PATRICK, MR. HOCKEY TO MANY PEOPLE, CUT HIS MARK WITH THE **NEW YORK RANGERS** AND HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY OF THE RULES AND INNOVATIONS IN HOCKEY TODAY. AT PRESENT, HE IS PRESIDENT AND OWNER OF THE **VICTORIA COUGARS**. LIKE FATHER LIKE SONS, SO UP CAME **LYNN** AND **MURRAY 'MUZZ' PATRICK**. **LYNN** PLAYED LEFT WING FOR THE RANGERS WHERE HE STARRED. HE LED THE RANGERS IN SCORING FOR **TWO SEASONS**. NOW, HE IS A COACH FOR THE **BOSTON BRUINS**. **'MUZZ' PATRICK** DID HIS HANDIWORK FOR THE RANGERS ON DEFENSE AND PRESENTLY IS MANAGER AND COACH OF THE **TACOMA ROCKETS**. BOTH BOYS STOPPED PLAYING AFTER THE 1945-46 SEASON.

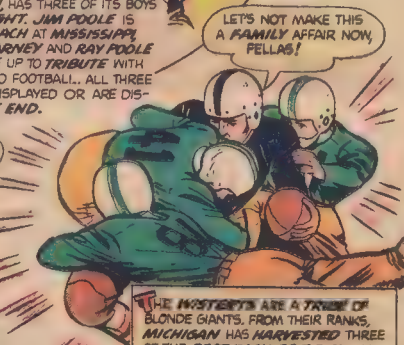


NOT TO BE OUTDONE, THE **POOLE CLAN** FROM **GLOSTER, MISSISSIPPI**, HAS THREE OF ITS BOYS IN THE **SPORTS SPOTLIGHT**. **JIM POOLE** IS NOW AN ASSISTANT COACH AT **MISSISSIPPI**, THEIR ALMA MATER. **BARNEY** AND **RAY POOLE** HOLD THE FAMILY NAME UP TO TRIBUTE WITH **SPARKLING PLAY** IN PRO FOOTBALL. ALL THREE **POWERFUL POOL'S** DISPLAYED OR ARE DISPLAYING THEIR WARES AT END.



YOW! WE COULD USE ANOTHER ONE GUYS!

THE **MIKAN BROOD** HAS SENT TWO HOOPERS TO THE BASKETBALL WARD IN THE PERSONS OF **GEORGE** AND **ED MIKAN**. THOUGH **ED** ISN'T AS WELL RATED AS HIS BROTHER, THE PAIR COMPOSE WHAT IS PROBABLY THE **MOST EFFECTIVE BROTHER ACT** IN BASKETBALL, TODAY. THE MEN WITH **RECORD BOOKS** AT **DE PAUL UNIVERSITY**, WHERE THE BROTHERS ATTENDED, ARE STILL BUSY ENTERING THE **MARKS** SET BY THESE TWO BRUISERS. **GEORGE** PIVOTS WITH THE **MINNEAPOLIS LAKERS** WHILE **ED** COMPETES WITH THE **CHICAGO STAGS**.



LET'S NOT MAKE THIS A FAMILY AFFAIR NOW, FELLAS!

THE **WISTERTS** ARE A TRIBE OF BLONDE GIANTS. FROM THEIR RANKS, **MICHIGAN** HAS HARVESTED THREE OF THE **BEST TACKLES** IT EVER HAD. **FRANCIS** WAS FIRST, PLAYING ON THE 1933 TEAM. **ALBERT**, NOW PLAYING PRO BALL WITH THE **PHILADELPHIA EAGLES**, CAME SECOND EXHIBITING THE WISTERT MAGIC IN 1942. **ALVIN** IS THE LAST AND HAS JUST FINISHED HIS DAYS AT **MICHIGAN**.



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WHO WILL BE THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL STARS OF 1951?

BOB ZAWOLUK

STANDING 6'6" FROM THE **HARDWOOD FLOOR** THIS ST. JOHN'S **BUDDING GREAT** HAS ALREADY SET RECORDS TO MAKE ANYBODY **HAPPY**. WORKING OUT OF THE **CENTER SLOT** BOB, LAST SEASON, BECAME THE **ALL TIME METROPOLITAN SCORING CHAMP** CAGING 65 POINTS IN ONE GAME. THE PAST SEASON HE **RUFFLED THE HOOPS** FOR 538 POINTS!

BILL SPIVEY -- CONSIDERED BY MANY **KENTUCKY ROOTERS** AS ONE OF THE **FINEST PROSPECTS** TO EVER DRIBBLE A BALL. UNDER THE **TUTELAGE** OF **ADOLPH RUPP** THE KENTUCKY COACH, **BILL** IS BEING LOOKED UPON AS THE MAN WHO WILL **LEAD THE KENTUCKY WILDCATS TO NATIONAL HONORS**. TOWERING OVER THE AVERAGE PERSON, THE **7'4"** **SPIVEY** CAN SCORE FROM ANY PART OF THE FLOOR.

CLYDE LOVELLETTE

ALMOST **SCRAPING** HIS HEAD IN ANY ROOM HE IS IN **6'9"** **CLYDE** IS THE **PRIDE AND JOY** OF THE **UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS**. THE LAST OUTING SAW HIM SCORING **545 POINTS** IN 25 GAMES. HIS AVERAGE PER GAME WAS 21.8 AND THIS MADE HIM THE **FOURTH HIGHEST SCORER** IN THE COUNTRY! HE HOLDS THE **KANSAS SCORING RECORD** AND HAS PLUNKED IN 36 POINTS IN ONE GAME.

BOB DAVIES

ANOTHER **PRO GREAT** WHO WILL SWEEP IN MORE THAN HIS SHARE OF **BASKETBALL HONORS** THIS SEASON IS **BOB DAVIES**, THE **FLASHING FORWARD** OF THE **ROCHESTER ROYALS**. ACTUALLY, BOB IS A **LITTLE MAN**, CLAIMING ONLY 6'1" ON THE **MEASURING TAPE** BUT FOR OVER 5 YEARS HE HAS BEEN **CUTTING THE BIG BOYS DOWN** TO HIS SIZE. FOLLOWING THE **1946-47 CAMPAIGN**, HE WAS SELECTED AS "**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**" IN THE **NATIONAL LEAGUE**.

DICK MCGUIRE

IN THE PROFESSIONAL HOOR THIS **YOUNG MAN** HAS LANDED WITH A **BANG**. AT PRESENT, DICK'S **DEADLINESS** IS BEING PUT TO **ADVANTAGE** BY THE **NEW YORK KNICKERBOCKERS**. WHEN **McGUIRE** PLAYED COLLEGE BALL AT ST. JOHN'S, HE WAS **VOYED** THE **MOST VALUABLE BASKETBALL PLAYER** IN THE HISTORY OF THAT INSTITUTION.

KNOWN **NATIONALLY** FOR HIS **FAMOUS BALL-HANDLING** AND **PLAY-MAKING** **DICK McGUIRE** IS ALSO A **MASTER OF ALL KINDS OF SHOTS**—BEING NO **SLOW-POKE** IN **SCORING POINTS** FOR HIS TEAM.

JIM POLLARD

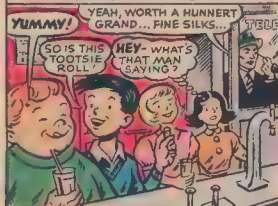
YOU WOULD THINK THAT ANYBODY PLAYING WITH THE **MINNEAPOLIS LAKERS** WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE FOR ANY **HEADLINES** WITH **GEORGE MIKAN** GRABBING ALMOST ALL OF THEM, BUT, **JIM POLLARD**, STARRING IN THE **FORWARD POSITION**, HAS MADE MANY A FAN **MOMENTARILY FORGET GEORGE**. A **FINE BALL HANDLER** AND A **CLEVER PLAY-MAKER**, JIM HAS BECOME ONE OF THE **PILLARS OF THE LAKERS' SUCCESS**.

Captain Tootsie

CATCHES HI-JACKERS

By BILL SCHREIBER

WE FIND CAPTAIN TOOTSIE'S YOUNG FRIENDS AT LAYTON'S SWEET SHOP... SIPPING SODAS AND EATING DELICIOUS TOOTSIE ROLLS...



YEAH...WE STOP 'ER AT POST ROAD AND ROUTE 3! YEAH SPIKE... 8 TONIGHT!



ROLLO- QUICK! BLOW YOUR WHISTLE FOR CAPTAIN TOOTSIE! THERE'S GOING TO BE TROUBLE!



HERE HE COMES NOW!



CAPTAIN TOOTSIE! I OVERHEARD THE CROOK IN THE PHONE BOOTH... THEY'RE GOING TO HI-JACK A SILK TRUCK AT 8 O'CLOCK... POST ROAD AND ROUTE 3!

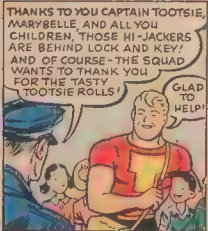
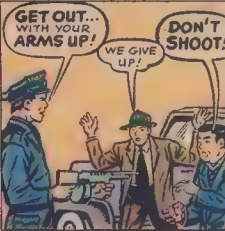
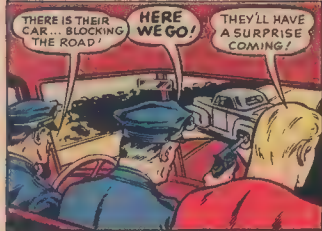


A FEW MINUTES LATER AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS

THERE IT IS! ROUTE 3 AND POST ROAD- WE'LL GET INTO THE INTERCEPT THE SILK TRUCK HERE... CARE OF THOSE CROOKS!



A LITTLE LATER- A QUARTER MILE FROM ROUTE 3!



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WHAT A TASTE DELIGHT! BIG TOOTSIE POPS WITH TOOTSIE ROLL CENTERS... AND CHOCOLATY TOOTSIE ROLLS TOO- TRY 'EM, PALS!

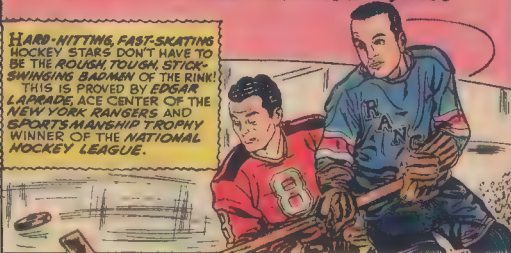
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EDGAR LAPRADE

GENTLEMAN OF THE RINK

HARD-HITTING, FAST-SKATING HOCKEY STARS DON'T HAVE TO BE THE ROUGH, TOUGH, STICK-SWINGING BADMAN OF THE RINK! THIS IS PROVED BY EDGAR LAPRADE, ACE CENTER OF THE NEW YORK RANGERS AND SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY WINNER OF THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE.



EDGAR LAPRADE FIRST CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF BIG LEAGUE HOCKEY SCOUTS IN 1929, WHEN AT THE AGE OF 20, HE LED THE PORT ARTHUR BEARS TO THE ALLAN CUP. HEATER CHAMPIONSHIP AND IN '30, '31, '32, AND '33, TO THE RUNNER-UP SPOT IN THE ALLAN CUP AND WESTERN CANADA SERIES.

WATCH THAT LAPRADE! HE'S SURE CAN MOVE THAT PUCK!

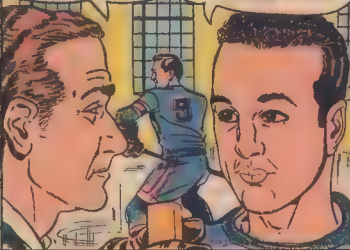
STRANGE THAT HE HASN'T TURNED PRO BY NOW!



IT WASN'T THAT THE SCOUTS DIDN'T WANT TO SIGN HIM, EDGAR HAD GONE TO THE NEW YORK RANGERS TRAINING CAMP EACH FALL...

WELL, EDGAR, HOW ABOUT SIGNING A CONTRACT WITH US THIS YEAR?

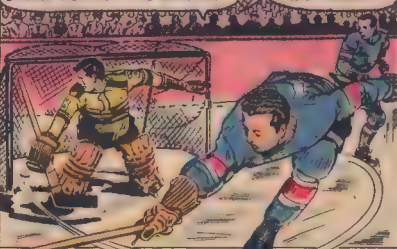
NO THANKS, COACH! I STILL LIKE PLAYING AMATEUR HOCKEY BACK IN PORT ARTHUR.



IN '43 LAPRADE WENT INTO THE CANADIAN ARMY. WHEN HE WAS DISCHARGED TWO YEARS LATER, HE FINALLY SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH THE RANGERS... AND WASTED NO TIME IN MAKING ALL PREDICTIONS ABOUT HIM COME TRUE!

A GOAL! YAHOO! THAT'S OVER FORTY POINTS LAPRADE HAS SCORED ALREADY THIS SEASON.

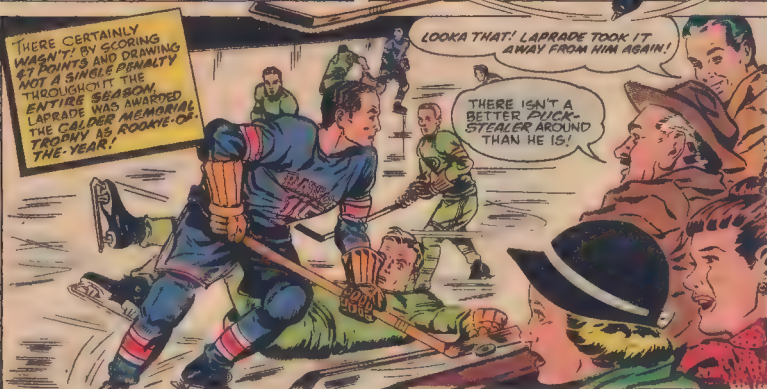
THERE ISN'T A BETTER ROOKIE IN THE LEAGUE!



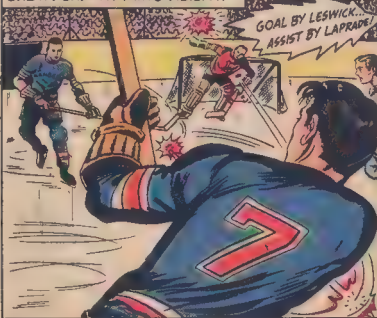
THERE CERTAINLY WASN'T! BY SCORING 47 POINTS AND DRAWING NOT A SINGLE PENALTY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SEASON, LAPRADE WAS AWARDED THE CALDER MEMORIAL TROPHY AS ROOKIE-OF-THE-YEAR!

LOOKA THAT! LAPRADE TOOK IT AWAY FROM HIM AGAIN!

THERE ISN'T A BETTER PUCK-STEALER AROUND THAN HE IS!

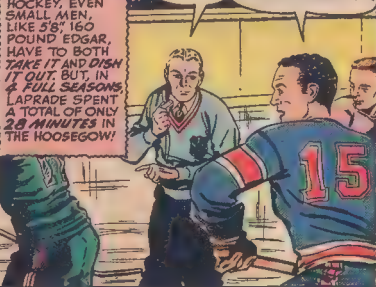


LAPRADE ALSO DEVELOPED INTO THE FINEST STICKHANDLER IN HOCKEY. HIS FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE OF OVER 22 ASSISTS PER SEASON ATTESTS TO HIS GREAT PLAY-MAKING ABILITY.

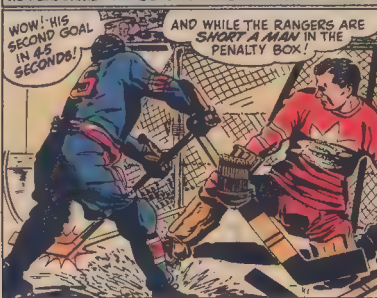


BUT LAPRADE IS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS CLEAN PLAYING! IN SUCH A ROUGH TOUGH SPORT AS BIG LEAGUE HOCKEY, EVEN SMALL MEN, LIKE 5'8", 160 POUND EDGAR, HAVE TO BOTH TAKE IT AND DISH IT OUT. BUT, IN 4 FULL SEASONS, LAPRADE SPENT A TOTAL OF ONLY 28 MINUTES IN THE HOOSEGOV!

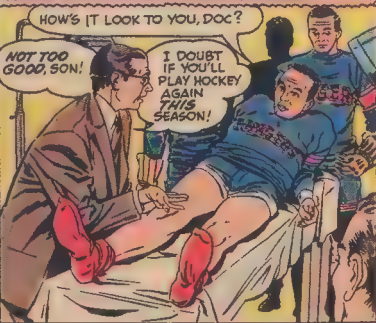
TWEET'S PENALTY ON LAPRADE... TRIPPING! TWO MINUTES IN THE PENALTY BOX, LAPRADE! THE PENALTY BOX! I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE IT IS!



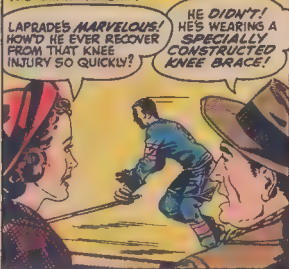
THE 1949-50 SEASON WAS ONE OF LAPRADE'S BEST. HE SCORED 22 GOALS--HIGH FOR HIS BIG LEAGUE CAREER--AND 22 ASSISTS, TYING LINEMATE TONY LESWICK FOR TEAM POINT-MAKING HONORS. AGAINST CHICAGO LAST SEASON, HE PERFORMED AN OUTSTANDING FEAT...



IN THE DRIVE TOWARDS THE PLAYOFFS LAST SEASON, LAPRADE SUFFERED A DAMAGING KNEE INJURY JUST BEFORE THE END OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULE.



BUT THE PLUCKY LAPRADE WAS BACK ON THE ICE AS HIS VASTLY UNDERDOG RANGER TEAM SCORED A TREMENDOUS SURPRISE BY WINNING THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND OF THE STANLEY CUP PLAYOFF SERIES AND FORCED THE DETROIT REDWINGS INTO OVERTIME OF THE SEVENTH GAME BEFORE YIELDING THE CHAMPIONSHIP.



TO CAP HIS PERSONAL TRIUMPH OF LAST SEASON, EDGAR WON THE COVETED LADY BYNG TROPHY FOR 1949-50. GIVEN TO THE PLAYER JUDGED TO HAVE EXHIBITED THE BEST TYPE OF SPORTSMANSHIP AND GENTLEMANLY CONDUCT COMBINED WITH A HIGH STANDARD OF PLAYING ABILITY DURING THE SEASON. IN 49 GAMES, HE HAD ONLY TWO MINUTES OF PENALTY TIME.

TO EDGAR LAPRADE WE ARE HAPPY NOT ONLY TO AWARD THE LADY BYNG TROPHY ITSELF, BUT, ALSO, THE \$1,000 CASH PRIZE THAT ACCOMPANIES IT!



WATCH EDGAR LAPRADE DURING THE 1950-51 SEASON: AT 31 HE'S AT THE PEAK OF HIS CAREER. WITH A RANGER TEAM THAT EVERYONE EXPECTS TO BE THE DARK HORSE OF THE LEAGUE, THIS SHOULD BE THE GREAT CENTER'S MOST EVENTFUL YEAR!



Meet **FRANKIE ALBERT**

PRO FOOTBALL'S MIGHTY MITE!

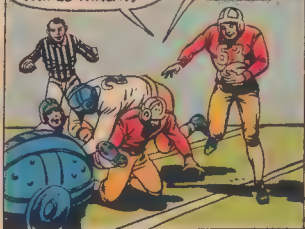
ONE OF THE MOST UP-AND-DOWN PLAYERS IN FOOTBALL, **FRANKIE ALBERT** HAS ALTERNATED FROM **HERO** TO **VILLAIN** AND BACK TO **HERO** AGAIN THROUGHOUT HIS GRID CAREER. TODAY, THE LITTLE QUARTERBACK OF THE MIGHTY **SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS** RULES THE FOOTBALL ROOST.



FRANKIE ALBERT, BORN 30 YEARS AGO IN CHICAGO, FIRST MADE FOOTBALL HEADLINES AS **LEFT HALLBACK** OF THE 1931 **GLENDAL HIGH ELEVEN, CHAMPIONS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**, WHERE HIS FAMILY MOVED SHORTLY AFTER HE WAS BORN. THE NEXT YEAR, ALBERT WAS ON ONE OF **STANFORD UNIVERSITY'S** GREATEST FRESHMAN TEAMS.

ALBERT IN THE CLEAR AGAIN! HE CAN DO EVERYTHING... **PASS... KICK... RUN!** WHAT A **TRIPLE-THREAT!**

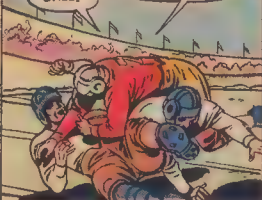
AND WHAT A **TEAM!** BROTHER, ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A **TEAM** NEXT YEAR!



WHAT A VARSITY **STANFORD DID HAVE** NEXT YEAR...ONE OF ITS **WORST** IN HISTORY. ALBERT, ONLY **162 POUNDS** AND **5'9"** AND PLAYING **LEFT HALLBACK**, WAS CONTINUALLY **SMEARED** BEHIND THE LINE OF SCRIMMAGE.

8000! WHAT A BUNCH OF **BUMS!** AND, ALBERT...WHO EVER SAID HE'S THE **FASTEST** MAN ON THE TEAM? THEY DUMP HIM FOR **LOSSES** ALMOST EVERY TIME HE HAS THE **BALL!**

WHY BLAME HIM? THE **LINESMEN** BLOCK AND THE **ENDS** CATCH **PASSES** ONLY WHEN THEY SEEM TO WANT TO... AND THAT **ISN'T** OFTEN!



THAT 1932 TEAM CAME APART AT THE SEAMS! IN THE **UCLA** GAME, **STANFORD** WAS AHEAD BY A **TOUCHDOWN** WITH ONLY **THREE MINUTES** LEFT TO PLAY. THE DARING ALBERT THREW A **PASS** INSTEAD OF RUNNING **SAFE GROUND PLAYS**. **UCLA INTERCEPTED...DROVE BACK** FOR THE **TYING TOUCHDOWN...**



THEN, MADE **GOOD** ON THE **CONVERSION**...AND **STANFORD** LOST AGAIN.



COACH... TEAMMATES... ALUMNI... STUDENTS...
NEWSPAPERMEN... ALL FELT LIKE **MURDERING**
ALBERT AFTER HE **BLEW** THE GAME, BUT, THE **COCKY**
HALFBACK DIDN'T LET HIS BLUNDER BOTHER HIM.
 JUST AS AFTER EVERY OTHER STANFORD DEFEAT, HE
 TOLD HIS TEAM'S **TORMENTORS**... **YEAH! WE**

ALBERT, YOU OUGHT TO
 BE **THROWN OFF** THE
 TEAM, I NEVER SAW
 SUCH **TERRIBLE**,
INEXCUSABLE
 STRATEGY!

COULD HAVE DONE
 BETTER, COULDN'T
 WE?



THE PLAYERS DIDN'T FORGIVE HIM, IN THE **'BIG GAME'** AGAINST
CALIFORNIA, STANFORD WAS **LOSING** BY **FOUR TOUCHDOWNS**
 WHEN THEY FINALLY GOT DOWN TO THE **GOLDEN BEARS TWO**
YARD LINE, IN THE **HUDDLE**...

LET **ME** TAKE IT OVER, THEY'LL
 NEVER EXPECT A **LITTLE GUY**
 LIKE **ME** TO HIT
 THEIR **BIG LINE**!

NOTHIN' DOING! YOU
 MIGHT TRY TO **PASS**!
STANDLEE CARRIES
ON THIS PLAY.



STANFORD'S
TERRIBLE
 RECORD OF ONLY
ONE VICTORY
 THAT 1939 SEA-
 SON MADE
 STUDENTS, ALUMNI
 AND NEWSPAPERS
 REALLY HOWL.
OUT WENT HEAD
COACH CLAUDE
E. (TINY) THORN-
HILL, IN CAME
CLARK
SHAUGHNESSY
 WITH SOME IDEAS
 FOR A FORMATION
 ...AND A **GREAT**,
NEW FOOTBALL
ERA WAS ABOUT
 TO BEGIN.

ALUMNI BULLETIN
STANFORD FOOTBALL
AT LOWEST EBB!!!
 Stanford Daily
ONESY, TWOSEY,
STANFORD LOSEY!
 DAILY COMET
STANFORD FOOTBALL
UPHEAVAL PREDICTED!

FRANKIE ALBERT WAS PROBABLY THE MOST **UNPOPULAR** FOOTBALL
 PLAYER ON THE STANFORD CAMPUS, BUT SHAUGHNESSY NOTICED HIM
 RIGHT AWAY AT AN EARLY PRACTICE SESSION.

I DIDN'T PLAN ON USING IT HERE BUT THAT
 ALBERT IS JUST THE BOY FOR SOMETHING
 I'VE HAD IN MIND FOR A LONG TIME. I LIKE
 THE WAY HE **HANDLES** THAT BALL, WE'RE
 BRINGING BACK THE **T-FORMATION**.



THE REST IS **FOOTBALL HISTORY**! WITH ALBERT IN-
 STALLED AT **QUARTERBACK**, THE BRUISING **230-POUND**
NORM STANDLEE AT **FULLBACK** AND **HUGH**
GALLAGHER AND **PETE KMETOWIC** AS **HALFBACKS**,
 THE 1940 STANFORD ELEVEN BECAME THE **UNDERSTATED**
 TERROR OF THE WEST AND TOPPLED **NIGHTY MERRASSKA**
 IN THE **ROSE BOWL**, 21-13.



FOR CREATING THIS **SPECTACULAR COMEBACK**,
 COACH SHAUGHNESSY WAS NAMED **COACH-OF-THE-**
YEAR AND **ALL-AMERICAN QUARTERBACK**
FRANKIE ALBERT WAS ONCE AGAIN THE **PRIDE**
 OF THE CAMPUS AT **PALO ALTO**.

IN 1941, ALBERT WAS **ALL-AMERICAN** FOR THE **SECOND**
TIME. HIS COLLEGE CAREER OVER AND THE WAR ON, HE
 PLAYED WITH THE **ST. MARY'S PRE-FLIGHT** ELEVEN IN '42,
 BUT DROPPED FOOTBALL IN '43 WHEN THE **PRE-FLIGHT**
 TEAM SWITCHED FROM **T-FORMATION** TO THE **SINGLE WING**.
 SHORTLY AFTER, HE WAS SERVING ABOARD A **GIANT**
AIRCRAFT CARRIER...

ATTABOY, FRANKIE, HIT THOSE
 JAPS AS ACCURATELY AS YOU FLUNG
 THIS **PIGSKIN** AND THE WAR
 WILL BE OVER IN
NO TIME!



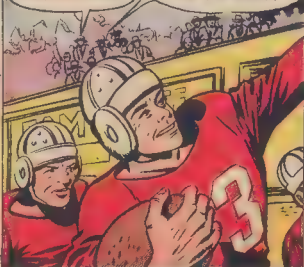
THE WAR OVER, IN 1945 ALBERT SIGNED TO PLAY PRO FOOTBALL WITH THE **LOS ANGELES BUILDERS** IN THE **MINOR** PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE. BUT IN '46, WHEN THE NEWLY FORMED **ALL-AMERICA** CONFERENCE RAIDED THE RIVAL LEAGUES FOR PLAYERS, HE JUMPED TO THE **SAN FRANCISCO 49'ERS**. HE WAS JOINED BY HIS OLD TEAMMATE **STANDLEE**, A FUGITIVE FROM THE **CHICAGO BEARS**.



SAN FRANCISCO WAS A GOOD TEAM IN '46 AND '47, BUT THE HUNGRY FANS WANTED BETTER. AS ALBERT, A FAMILIAR NAME ON THE PACIFIC COAST, BLEW **HOT** AND **COLD**, FAN SENTIMENT DID LIKEWISE...

ALBERT STOPPED COLD AGAIN! HE'S A **BUM**. THE **HAS-BEEN**, HE BELONGS BACK IN THE **MINORS**!

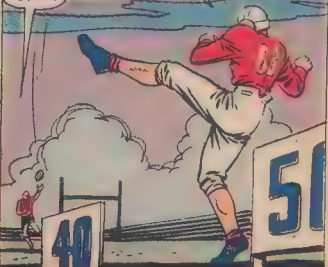
WHAT GIVES WITH YOU? LAST WEEK HE WAS **HOT** AND YOU WERE CALLIN' HIM THE **BEST** QUARTERBACK IN THE GAME!



DESPITE THE **CONTROVERSY** SWIRLING ABOUT HIS HEAD, ALBERT, A SUPREME CONFIDENT **PERFECTIONIST**, SPENT LONG EXTRA HOURS PRACTICING TO MAKE HIMSELF THE **TOP** QUARTERBACK IN THE GAME...

C'MON, FRANKIE, LET'S QUIT. IT'S SO DARK WE CAN HARDLY SEE THE BALL!

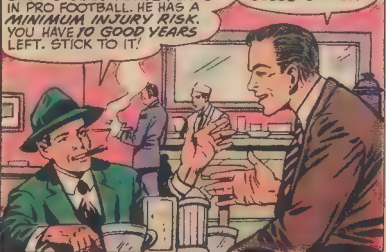
JUST CENTER ME A COUPLE MORE, MY PUNTING ISN'T LONG ENOUGH YET.



HEARING ALL SORTS OF **RUMORS** ABOUT BEING **TRADED** OR **CUT** IN **SALARY**, AND OFFERED A **BUSINESS PARTNER** SHIP BY HIS BROTHER, ALBERT CONSIDERED **RETIRING** FROM FOOTBALL. BUT **CLARK SHAUGHNESSY**, HIS OLD STANFORD COACH, HAD A LITTLE TALK WITH HIM...

FRANK, A T-FORMATION QUARTERBACK IS GOOD FOR 12 YEARS IN PRO FOOTBALL. HE HAS A **MINIMUM** INJURY RISK. YOU HAVE 10 GOOD YEARS LEFT. STICK TO IT!

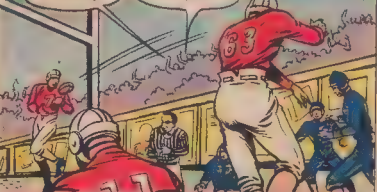
THANKS, COACH. I GUESS I WILL!



FLASHING ALL HIS OLD-TIME **WIZARDRY**, ALBERT IN 1948, LED THE 49'ERS TO A GREAT 12-WON 2-LOST MARK, IN WHICH THEY ROLLED UP **495** POINTS AND SET MORE THAN A **DOZEN** OFFENSIVE RECORDS.

TOUCHDOWN! THE 29TH TD PASS THIS SEASON BY ALBERT!

WITH HIS GREAT RUNNING AND KICKING, TOO, HE'S A CINCINCH TO BE CHOSEN **ALL-PRO QUARTERBACK** THIS YEAR!

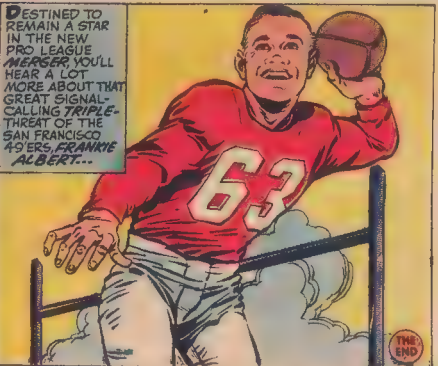


FRANKIE ALBERT WAS NAMED **ALL-PRO QUARTERBACK** OVER SOME OF THE **GREATEST** SIGNAL-CALLERS IN THE HISTORY OF THE GAME.

IN 1949, THE 49'ERS AND FRANKIE ALBERT HAD ANOTHER **GREAT** SEASON. THE TEAM REACHED THE **ALL-AMERICA** CONFERENCE **CHAMPIONSHIP** PLAYOFF, LOSING 21-7 TO THE **INVINCIBLE** CLEVELAND BROWNS. ALTHOUGH THE BROWNS' OWN **OTTO GRAHAM** WAS NAMED **ALL-PRO** QUARTERBACK, ALBERT LED THE LEAGUE IN **PUNTING** AND **AVERAGE** GAIN **RUSHING**, AND HIS 27 **TOUCHDOWN** PASSES WERE **TOP**, TOO.



DESTINED TO REMAIN A STAR IN THE NEW **PRO LEAGUE MERGER**, YOU'LL HEAR A LOT MORE ABOUT THAT GREAT SIGNAL-CALLING **TRIPLE-THREAT** OF THE **SAN FRANCISCO 49'ERS**, **FRANKIE ALBERT**...



THE END

DAREDEVILS ON ICE

MOST IMPORTANT TO A WINNING TEAM ARE A **SMART DRIVER**, A **FAST SLED** AND A **HARD PUSHOFF**. THE DRIVER MUST TIME HIS TURNS PRECISELY AND WITH **SPLIT-SECOND ACCURACY...OR DISASTER!!**

BOBSLEDS ARE EQUIPPED WITH **DRAG BRAKES**, WORKED **MANUALLY** BY THE **REAR MAN** OF THE TEAM. HE WORKS WITH THE DRIVER ON TURNS AND MUST KNOW **EXACTLY** WHEN TO APPLY THE **NECESSARY DRAG**.

BOBSLED TEAMS CAN CONSIST OF TWO, THREE AND FOUR MEN...

CREWS DRILL AND PRACTICE CONSTANTLY TO ACQUIRE THE TEAMWORK SO VITAL TO A WINNING COMBINATION. IN THE OLYMPICS, THE **CRACK U.S. TEAM** TOOK THE **FOUR MAN EVENT** IN **RECORD TIME!!**

BOBSLEDS HAVE REACHED SPEEDS OF UP TO **NINETY MILES AN HOUR!!**

BOBSLEDDING, THE MOST HAZARDOUS AND THRILL-PACKED OF ALL WINTER SPORTS, IS ENJOYING A REVIVAL AFTER A LONG WAKT-TIME LAYOFF. BOBSLED ENTHUSIASTS CLAIM THERE IS NO GREATER THRILL THAN CAREENING DOWN AN ICY, HAIR-PIN CURVE, ALWAYS IN IMMINENT DANGER OF SPILLING OVER THE TOP OF A RUN!!

BECAUSE WEIGHT INCREASES SPEED AND FURNISHES GREATER TRACTION, THE NUMBER 2 & 3 MEN ARE USUALLY HEFTY **HEAVYWEIGHTS**.

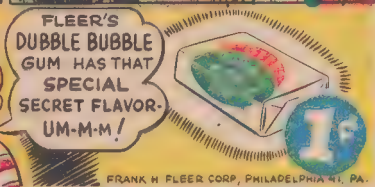
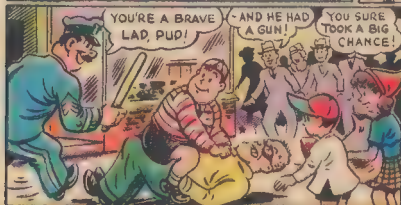
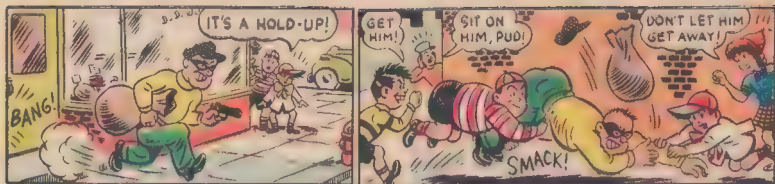
TODAY'S SLEDS ARE EQUIPPED WITH **SHOCK ABSORBERS** AND **STEEL RUNNERS**, AS SHOWN ABOVE. THEY WERE INTRODUCED PRIOR TO THE OLYMPIC GAMES

BEFORE A HEAT, THE TEAM GOES OVER **EVERY FOOT** OF THE RUN TO PLAN THE **EXACT COURSE** THEY WILL FOLLOW. **PRECIOUS SECONDS** CAN BE SLICED FROM THE TIME BY FOLLOWING THIS PROCEDURE.

ST. MORITZ, SITE OF THE WINTER OLYMPICS, HAS ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS RUNS IN THE WORLD. IT'S ON COURSES LIKE THIS THAT TEAMWORK HAS TO BE **PERFECT**. EACH MAN MUST SHIFT HIS WEIGHT TO RIGHT OR LEFT AT **EXACTLY THE RIGHT TIME** OR THE SLED CAN BE THROWN OFF BALANCE OR **OUT OF CONTROL**.

FOR A SMALL FEE, BOBSLED RIDES CAN BE OBTAINED AT LAKE PLACID...

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SPORT SHORTS

CROSSED SIGNALS . . . During a World Series game, Umpire Cal Hubbard called Joe DiMaggio out on strikes. The ump called the last pitch a strike on Joe because the Yankee Clipper "broke his wrists" or went through with a legal swing. A Baltimore paper reported the incident the next day with a screaming headline which read, "DiMaggio Breaks Wrists in World Series opener." If so, how DiMag ever went out during the rest of the Series and played brilliant ball, we'll never know!!!

ALL ANGLES COVERED . . . Moe Berg, a former big leaguer, never gets tired of telling his friends an anecdote about John McGraw, the great New York Giant manager. It seems that Moe went to Paris one time and as he was walking down a street he bumped into John McGraw. Being a timid youngster at the time, Moe Berg hesitated to greet the baseball great. Instead, it was McGraw who said, "You're Berg of Brooklyn, aren't you?" The young ball-player said yes, and the two had dinner together. Later, when Moe discussed the incident with one of McGraw's lieutenants and asked him how the manager knew his name, the assistant laughed and said, "Moe, not only does McGraw know your name but he even knows how to pitch to you!" Perhaps the man was right for Moe Berg never remembered getting a hit against the Giants!!!

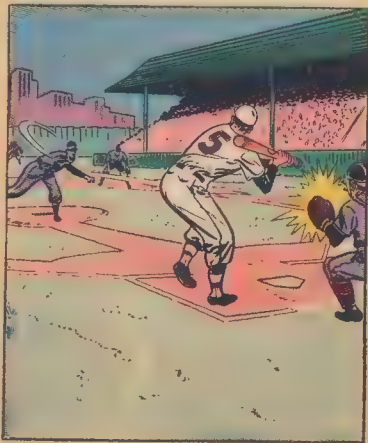
SPORTS CLOSEUP . . . Pee Wee Reese, terrific shortstop for the Brooklyn Dodgers, stands just under 5'10", but he earned the nickname as a young Louisville marble champ. At 31, he is the best shortstop in his league defensively. He swiped 26 bases in 1949. Pee Wee, as a lead-off hitter, excels in cracking singles. He hit 16 homers in '49 and led N.L. in runs scored. Ever popular as a team captain, Reese came to the Brooks from Louisville in '40 and spent three war-time years with the Navy. Pee Wee's popularity with the fans is unquestioned. Never surly, stand-offish, or arrogant, the scat shortstop gets a kick out of his job.

FASTEST FASTBALL? . . . Aaron Robinson, veteran Detroit Tiger's catcher, will let anybody know that old Satchel Paige still throws the meanest and fastest baseball in the baseball business today. For three innings, Satch can burn 'em in like nobody else—according to Robby, that is. Paige is now retired from the big league show but he does his bit in smaller league exhibitions. Looking on the other side

of the fence, however, Joe DiMaggio, the brilliant New York Yankee outfielder, insists that Smokey Joe Page is the possessor of the fastest zipper. We're neutral. We will say though that the last names of these fireballers are pronounced the same way!

QUESTION CORNER . . . What distance is most frequently run in athletic competition in America? Naturally, all of you are going to think of track and field. Some of you will say the sprint. Others will say the distance events. We say the most frequently run distance in American athletics is the 90 feet from homeplate to first base in baseball! Thousands of players run that span every day!

BOXING BITS . . . Now that Joe Louis has sung the last notes of his swan song, the boxing world is looking in all the dusty corners for the other heavyweights who were just about forgotten while Louis held reign. In one of those corners, somebody has found the battling bartender, Lee Savold. Savold has been beaten by so many second-rate fighters that you wonder how he rates a shot at the heavyweight crown. Well, strange as it may seem, Lee is the English champion and does boast some impressive victories over several "good" heavies. Eating has always been one of the best things Savold does. It is his expanding waistline which had got everybody worried and which has set a sharp puncher like Ezzard Charles drooling. Lee's big win came when he smashed Bruce Woodcock to a bloody pulp in London in the spring of 1950. How far Lee is going to go now is questionable. He could get his teeth knocked out again by a second rater or he could ascend the heavyweight throne!



THE LIFE OF

BABE RUTH

CHAPTER 11



THE 1918 RED SOX, PAGED BY BABE RUTH, WERE AGAIN WORLD BASEBALL CHAMPIONS. THE BABE HAD SET THE WORLD SERIES PITCHING RECORDS. *STILL UNEQUALLED*. HE HAD HIT 300, AND HIS 11 HOME RUNS, WINNING FOR THE *HOMER* TITLE, GAVE PROMISE OF HIS FUTURE BATTING PROWESS...

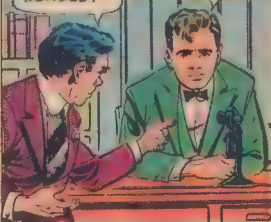
PAID \$5,000 IN 1917 AND \$7,000 IN 1918, BABE THOUGHT HIS GREAT RECORD IN THE '18 SEASON WAS WORTH A \$10,000 CONTRACT FOR THE COMING YEAR. WHEN RED SOX OWNER, HARRY FRAZEE, BALKED, BABE BECAME A HOLD-OUT...



KNOWING BABE WANTED MONEY, A PROMOTER NAMED JOHNNY IGO APPROACHED THE RED SOX SLUGGER...

WHY DON'T YOU BECOME A BOXER? YA GOT THE PUBLICITY. YOU'LL MAKE A BUNDLE!

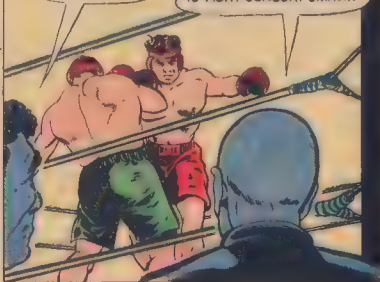
YEAH, MAYBE I'LL BECOME HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP!



SO, BABE WORKED OUT IN A BOSTON GYM THAT WINTER.

THINK HE'LL GET ANY WHERE?

I DUNNO! THEY'RE WORKIN' ON A DEAL FOR HIM TO FIGHT GUNBOAT SMITH...



AFRAID HE MIGHT GET HURT, THE RED SOX CALLED BABE IN FOR ANOTHER SALARY TALK. AFTER MUCH HAGGLING, A TWO YEAR CONTRACT WAS SIGNED...

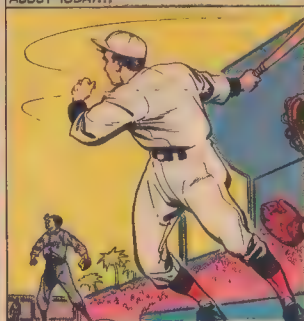
NOW GET THAT CRAZY IDEA OF FIGHTING OUT OF YOUR THICK SKULL. SAVE YOUR FIGHT FOR THE BALL FIELD.

OKAY, ED! I'M SATISFIED.

I STILL THINK NO BALLPLAYER IS WORTH \$10,000 A YEAR!



AT TAMPA, FLORIDA THAT SPRING, THE RED SOX HOOKED UP IN A SPRING TRAINING SERIES WITH JOHN MCGRAW'S NEW YORK GIANTS. ONE DAY, THE BABE STEPPED INTO A PITCH SERVED UP BY "HAIL COLUMBIA" GEORGE SMITH AND HIT A DRIVE STILL TALKED ABOUT TODAY...



THE GREAT GIANT RIGHT FIELDER, ROSS YOUNGS, STOPPED AT THE FENCE AND WATCHED THE BALL SAIL BY, HIGH OVER HIS HEAD...

GOSH! I NEVER SAW ANYONE GIVE A BALL A RIDE AS LONG AS THIS ONE.



AFTER THE GAME, THE EXCITED BASEBALL WRITERS MEASURED THE DISTANCE OF BABE'S TREMENDOUS DRIVE...

HERE'S WHERE THE BALL LANDED... **OVER 500 FEET** FROM THE PLATE!

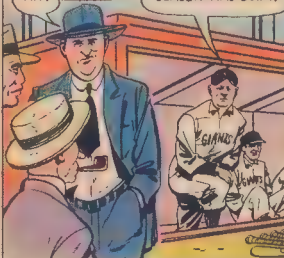
SOME WALLP! THAT GUY'S FANTASTIC!



JOHN MCGRAW OVERHEARD THE WRITERS DISCUSSING THE BABE'S POWER AT THE BAT.

IF RUTH PLAYS **EVERY DAY** CAN YOU IMAGINE HOW MANY HOME RUNS HE'D HIT!

AHH! THE BIG BUM WOULD HIT INTO A **HUNDRED DOUBLE PLAYS** BEFORE THE SEASON WAS OVER!

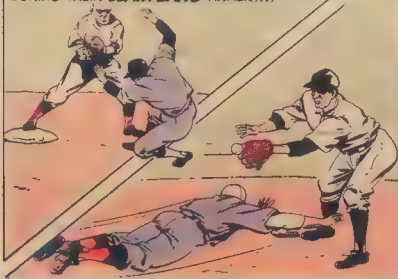


MCGRAW'S REMARK GOT BACK TO THE BABE. SO, EVERY TIME HE HIT A HOME RUN, HE TAUNTED THE GIANT MANAGER...

HOW'S **THAT** FOR A DOUBLE PLAY BALL, MAC?



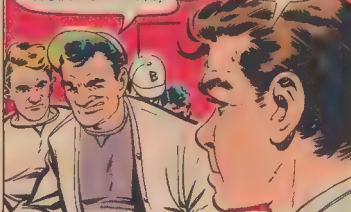
THE TWO TOUGH BALL CLUBS BATTLED THROUGH A FIERCE TRAINING SERIES AS THOUGH A WORLD SERIES WAS AT STAKE. THERE WERE **NO HOLDS BARRED** DURING THEIR **SLAM-BANG** RIVALRY...



ONE DAY SOX SHORTSTOP EVERETT SCOTT WAS **VICIOUSLY CUT DOWN** ON THE BASE PATHS BY GIANT SECOND SACKER LARRY DOYLE. IN THE CLUBHOUSE, AFTER THE GAME, THE SOX WERE **SEETHING MAD...**

LET'S GO OUT AND GET **THEM** TOMORROW! WE'LL EACH **TAKE CARE** OF A DIFFERENT MAN!

YEAH, LET'S **WORK 'EM OVER.** GOOD!

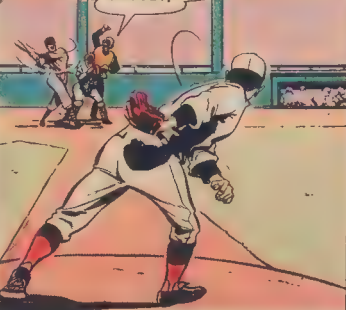


BUT THE RIVAL MANAGERS, HEARING OF THE IMPENDING TROUBLE, HELD THEIR TEAMS IN CHECK AND AVERTED FURTHER TROUBLE.

WORLD WAR I WAS OVER AND THE STAR BALL-PLAYERS BACK, BUT THE RED SOX OWNER NEEDED MONEY. HARRY FRAZEE BEGAN SELLING HIS **STAR PLAYERS** AND SOON BECAME KNOWN AS **"THE MAN WHO RUINED THE RED SOX."**

IN 1919, BARROW WANTED THE BABE TO TAKE HIS **REGULAR TURN** ON THE MOUND, AND THE SOUTHPAW OPENED THE SEASON BY **SHUTTING OUT** THE YANKS AT THE POLO GROUNDS...

STE-E-E-RIKE THREE! YER OUT!



BABE TOOK HIS REGULAR TURN ON THE MOUND **EVERY FOUR DAYS**, AND PLAYED THE **OUTFIELD** WHEN HE WASN'T PITCHING. THEN, ONE DAY, HE APPROACHED BARROW...

I DON'T THINK I CAN PLAY THE **OUTFIELD** ANYMORE. IT **TIRES ME OUT** TOO MUCH.

BABE, THE ONLY THING THAT TIRES YOU IS THE **CAROUSING AND NIGHT LIFE** AND THE **TERIBLE HOURS** YOU KEEP...



NEVERTHELESS, MANAGER BARROW GAVE BABE'S BEEF **SERIOUS THOUGHT**. SEVERAL WEEKS LATER CAME THE MOVE THAT MADE **BASEBALL HISTORY**, LAUNCHED THE BABE INTO HIS CAREER AS THE **GREATEST HOME RUN SLUGGER** IN BASEBALL ANALS, AND USHERED IN THE **HOME RUN ERA** OF OUR NATIONAL GAME.

THE AMERICAN LEAGUE **HOME RUN RECORD** IN 1919 WAS **16**, SET BY "SOCKS" SEYBOLD OF THE 1902 ATHLETICS. BABE WENT RIGHT AFTER IT... AND SOON HAD A **NEW MARK** OF HIS OWN...

NICE SMACK, BABE! YOU'RE THE NEW **HOME RUN KING** OF THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

THANKS, KID! BUT IT'S NOTHIN'. I'M GOIN' AFTER THE **MAJOR LEAGUE RECORD** NOW.



STILL PITCHING AN OCCASIONAL GAME, THE BABE COMPILED AN **8-5** MOUND RECORD IN 1919. BUT THE WORLD CHAMPION RED SOX WEREN'T GOING WELL. DESPITE THE BABE'S FINE HURLING AND HITTING, THEY FELL TO **SIXTH PLACE**. ONE DAY, IN JULY, THE FIERY PITCHING STAR **CARL MAYS** WALKED RIGHT OFF THE MOUND IN THE MIDDLE OF A GAME...

WHERE YOU GOING, MAYS? I'M NOT TAKING YOU OUT...

NO, BUT I AM! I WON'T PITCH FOR GUYS WHO DON'T **TRY** TO WIN...



MAYS WAS EVENTUALLY SOLD TO THE YANKEES. BABE'S NIGHT LIFE, AND CONTINUAL BREAKING OF **TRAINING RULES** WAS A BIG PROBLEM, TOO...

BABE GOT IN AT **5** THIS MORNING AGAIN, DAN. I WANT YOU TO **TAKE CHARGE** OF HIM, KEEP HIM OUT OF TROUBLE.

SURE, ED. I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM IF I HAVE TO PUT A RING THROUGH HIS NOSE!



BUT IT WASN'T THAT **EASY**! BARROW WENT TO BED WHEN HE KNEW ALL HIS PLAYERS WERE IN. ONE NIGHT, BABE THOUGHT HE COULD OUTFOX HIS MANAGER...

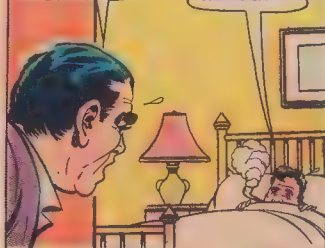
SIX O'CLOCK! GUESS I'M SAFE! BARROW'S **ASLEEP** BY NOW.



UP IN HIS ROOM, BABE THOUGHT HE WAS **SAFE**. BUT SUDDENLY THERE WAS A TERRIFIC KNOCKING ON BABE'S DOOR. BABE DIVED INTO BED...

WHAT THE DEVIL ARE YOU DOING IN BED **SMOKING A PIPE** AT THIS HOUR?

OH, I ALWAYS SMOKE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. IT'S **RESTFUL** AND I CAN GO BACK TO SLEEP AGAIN...



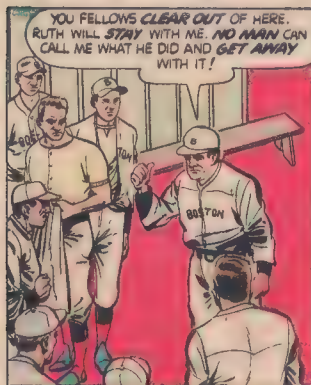
YOU SLEEP WITH YOUR **CLOTHES** AND **SHOES** ON, TOO, EH? WHY, YOU **BLANKETY-BLANK** SO-AND-SO!



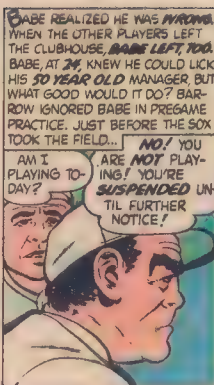
THE NEXT DAY, BABE, STILL SHAKING WITH INDIGNATION, FACED BARROW IN THE CLUBHOUSE...

YOU EVER COME INTO MY ROOM AGAIN LIKE THAT, YOU **SO-AND-SO**, AND I'LL **PUNCH YOU RIGHT IN THE NOSE!**



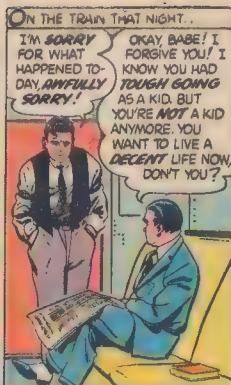


YOU FELLOWS CLEAR OUT OF HERE. RUTH WILL **STAY** WITH ME. **NO MAN** CAN CALL ME WHAT HE DID AND **GET AWAY** WITH IT!



BABE REALIZED HE WAS **WRONG**. WHEN THE OTHER PLAYERS LEFT THE CLUBHOUSE, **BABE LEFT, TOO**. BABE, AT **24**, KNEW HE COULD LICK HIS **50 YEAR OLD** MANAGER, BUT WHAT GOOD WOULD IT DO? **BARRY** IGNORED BABE IN PREGAME PRACTICE. JUST BEFORE THE SOX TOOK THE FIELD...

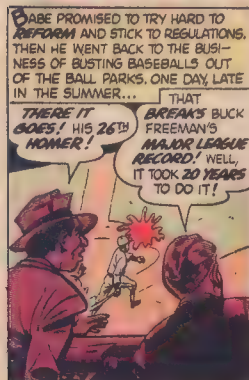
AM I PLAYING TO-DAY? **NO!** YOU ARE **NOT** PLAYING! YOU'RE **SUSPENDED** UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!



ON THE TRAIN THAT NIGHT...

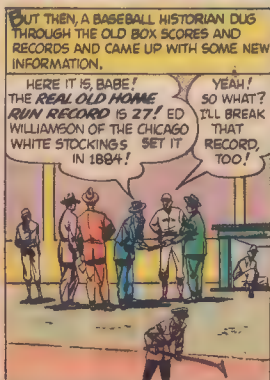
I'M SORRY FOR WHAT HAPPENED TO-DAY. **AWFULLY SORRY!**

OKAY, BABE! I FORGIVE YOU! I KNOW YOU HAD **TOUGH GOING** AS A KID. BUT YOU'RE **NOT** A KID ANYMORE. YOU WANT TO LIVE A **DECENT** LIFE NOW, DON'T YOU?



BABE PROMISED TO TRY HARD TO **REFORM** AND STICK TO REGULATIONS. THEN HE WENT BACK TO THE BUSINESS OF **BUSTING** BASEBALLS OUT OF THE BALL PARKS. ONE DAY, LATE IN THE SUMMER...

THERE IT GOES! HIS **26TH** **HOMER!** THAT **BREAKS** BUCK FREEMAN'S **MAJOR LEAGUE** **RECORD!** WELL, IT TOOK **20 YEARS** TO DO IT!

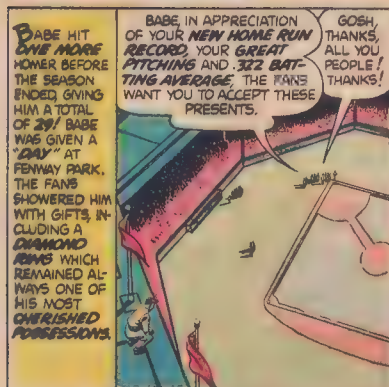


HERE IT IS, BABE! THE **REAL OLD HOME RUN RECORD** IS **27!** ED WILLIAMSON OF THE CHICAGO WHITE STOCKINGS SET IT IN **1884!** YEAH! SO WHAT? I'LL BREAK THAT **RECORD, TOO!**



ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1919, BABE **TIED** WILLIAMSON'S OLD MARK. THE SEASON WAS FAST DRAWING TO A CLOSE. BUT A FEW DAYS LATER...

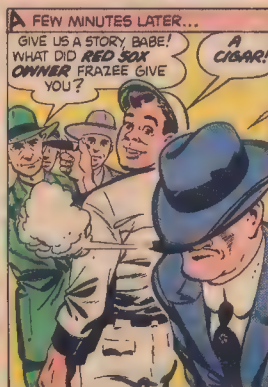
HERE IT COMES! BABE'S **28TH**. A **NEW HOME RUN RECORD!**



BABE HIT **ONE MORE** **HOMER** BEFORE THE SEASON ENDED, GIVING HIM A TOTAL OF **29!** BABE WAS GIVEN A **"DAY"** AT FENWAY PARK. THE FANS SHOWERED HIM WITH GIFTS, INCLUDING A **DIAMOND RING** WHICH REMAINED ALWAYS ONE OF HIS MOST **CHERISHED POSSESSIONS**.

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GOSH, THANKS, ALL YOU PEOPLE! THANKS!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

GIVE US A STORY, BABE! WHAT DID **RED SOX** **OWNER FRAZEE** GIVE YOU?

A **CIGAR!**

IN THE NEXT ISSUE YOU'LL LEARN OF THE EXCITING INCIDENT IN BABE'S CAREER IN **1920**. HOW HIS **BOOMING BAT** ALMOST **DOUBLED** HIS HOME RUN RECORD OF 1919. HOW HE MADE PEOPLE FORGET THE **TERRIBLE BLACK SOX SCANDAL**. HOW HIS SALE TO THE **NEW YORK YANKEES** HELPED ESTABLISH BASEBALL'S **GREATEST EMPIRE!**

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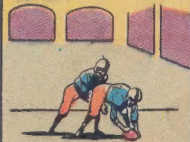
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1. T-FORMATION 2. SINGLE WING
3. DOUBLE WING.

2. WHAT SCHOOL DID THE IMMORTAL INDIAN, JIM THORPE, PLAY FOR?



1. CARLISLE 2. UTAH
3. MICHIGAN

3. WHAT DOES THIS MOTION BY THE REFEREE SIGNIFY?



1. OFF SIDE 2. HOLDING
3. CLIPPING

4. IF THIS HAPPENED—



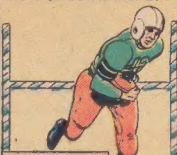
1. THE TEAM WITH THE BALL WOULD BE PENALIZED.
2. BALL CARRIER WOULD MAKE A TOUCHDOWN.
3. TIME OUT WOULD BE CALLED.

5. THE PRO FOOTBALL RECORD FOR THE MOST PASSES COMPLETED IN ONE SEASON IS 210. WHO HOLDS THIS RECORD?



1. SAMMY BAUGH 2. SID LUCKMAN 3. OTTO GRAHAM

6. THE COLLEGIATE RECORD FOR MOST POINTS SCORED IN ONE SEASON IS HELD BY:



1. GLENN DAVIS
2. KEN STRONG
3. JAMES LEECH

7. THE LONGEST PUNT IN PRO FOOTBALL WAS BY BOB WATERFIELD IN 1948. THE DISTANCE WAS:



1. 65 YARDS
2. 88 YARDS
3. 110 YARDS

ANSWERS

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2. CARLISLE
3. CLIPPING
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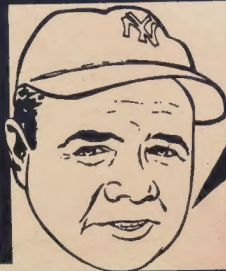
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